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#123.

Tap #123 (Chief Police)
Hot Springs, Ark.
Plant at 207-Laurel.

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12:56 A.M. - In on 123.

Man - Who's there?

Corrington - Rogers.

Rogers - Hello.

Man - This is W.C. Mann - Come meet
me at the ice plant on Central
Ave. - Couple of suspicious negroes.
Rogers - OK.

1:02 A.M. - In on 123.

Abbott and Davis - Reported at 126 and
that they were to have night lunch.

1:10 A.M. - In on 123.

Mrs. Evans - Come get Odum - he's drunk
Corrington - All right - we don't have
a car here now, but I'll send one.

1:20 A.M. - In on 123.

Mrs Evans - Odum has gone down the
hill again. Put him in if see him.
Corrington I all right. - 1-

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6:55 Am. - In on 123.

Mrs Rogers - Requested Rogers to come
out to breakfast in few minutes
Rogers - all right.

Not.

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7:00 am

Out 123

WTM
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Man placed a long distance call for
Constable Oleo Anderson, Kirby, Ark.
Operator reported back that Anderson was
2 miles from the telephone and there
would be some delay in completing
the call. Man calling asked that
Anderson be located and told to
call the Hot Springs Police Department,
and that the call be collect as this was
a favor for Anderson they were doing.

7:51 am

In 123

WTM

Woman asked for Milton Sankers -
he was not at the police station.

8:09 am

In 123

WTM

Woman (apparently negro) asked if police
had a fellow named Wesley in jail.
They did not have him.

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8:15 am

In 123

WTH

Man (apparently Aken) spoke to Rogers
ordering him to take a car to the rooming
house in rear of Jim & George's (Restaurant)
where a man there would point out a
drink to him, and take him to the
police station.

8:16 am

In 123

WTH

Man giving name "Pleasant" (phonetic)
spoke to Corrington. Corrington said
he would be there (at location of caller) between
10:30 and 11 o'clock. The party calling said:
"I'll be there, just knock on my little door.
I ain't feeling so good and I will be
in the back."

8:30 am

In 123

WTH

Woman called for "Watkins". He was
out and would be back in 20 minutes.

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9:08 am In 123 WTM
Woman called for letter. He was in
court room.

9:10 am Out 123 WTM
3858
Officer Conington called "Fonist"
inquiring about his health.

9:18 am In 123 WTM
Man called for an officer to come to 105 Bluff
Street to investigate a theft.

9:20 am In 123 WTM
(Same as 9:18 call)

9:25 am In 123 WTM
Negro woman ^{named Motter} called "Mr. Curly Evans"
about a \$3.25 laundry ~~bill~~ bill. Evans
explained his delay in attending to this;
"I just got busy - did you see my name
in the papers? (You see) Well they got me

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all accused of a lot of stuff. I've been
busy with that - digging up records.
I got them though"

9:30 am

In 123

WTR

Prity calling: "wrong number"

9:35 am

Out 123

WTR

3677-W

"Curly" Evans called, spoke to Miss Evans & Ha
(phonetic) and said "Tell my old lady to
come down for me. They have changed me -
I am going to work at night now."

9:40

In 123

WTR

Man at 105 Bluff called and asked if an
officer had been sent up there yet.

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10:00 am

Out 123

WTM

1100

Ahen: Hello, Mark, when have you heard from your brother Al?

Mark: Who?

Ahen: I mean Fred - when have you heard from him.

Mark: I haven't seen him in about 2 months.

Ahen: Do you still get his CCC checks?

Mark: Well he was in a CCC camp.

Ahen: Well he isn't now.

Mark: No. I heard from him - I got a letter from him about 2 months ago - he was in some little town - I can't remember.

I could tell you if I could find that letter.

Ahen: Will you please see if you can find that letter and call me.

Mark: Alright, sure will.

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10:04 am

In 123

ZWTM

Woman asked if Carretto (phonetic) Jones had been fined. She was told that his case had been dismissed.

10:08 am

Out 123

ZWTM

3574

~~Order~~ Ordered 3 breakfasts (for city prisoners)

10:14 am

In 123

ZWTM

Woman giving name, Emma, asked Watkins at his first chance to go to General Delivery Window at Post Office and call for the check for Emma Benbow (phonetic) and call her.

10:15 am

Out 123

ZWTM

770 (Paul Kelly Funeral Director)

Akers called there for Milford Sanders. He was not there.

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10:20 am

In 123

WTM

Woman called for Watkins - he was
out to a fire, she was told.

10:25 am

Out 123

WTM

3339 (Arch Cooper's Residence)

"Sevede" Watkins called Cooper asking him
if he had seen anything in the paper
about when the trial would be set. He had
heard that it would be set Monday. Watkins
also said Press (Huffman) was asking
the same thing. Cooper had no information
and said he was coming in down there
when they would talk it over.

123

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10.36 am

out 123

WPS

To 780

operator reported line disconnected

10.36 am

out 123

WPS

To 750

Carol Brock

'Is Glenn Buchanan there?

Tell him Dutch will be down

to see him about 3 o'clock

10.40 am

In on 123

WPS

man calling

"This is Mack. I don't have
that address around here.

Akers.

That fellow is coming around
to talk to you anyway

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11:12am In 123 WTM

Man called: "That boy is over at the hotel just come get him."

11:14am In 123 WTM

Man called for Aker. Out on street.

11:15am In 123 WTM

Jones, Circuit Court Clerk, at the Court house called from Oklahoma City saying he had a man spotted out there who robbed him Saturday night, and wanted an officer to meet him there.

11:25am In 123 WTM

Man asked if Joe Tully was there. Aker informed that Tully was at County Jail.

11:30am Out 123 WTM

1111 (Park Hotel)

Aker asked for Mr. Cauden. Room Clerk said Cauden was not in. Aker left word for

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Order to call him

11:31 am

Out 123

WTR

Akers called Mr. Al Reed at 2-1979, Little Rock about prisoner Jackie Fields saying this prisoner's time was up and he could not hold him longer without authority. Reed stated that he had sent his reports to Washington and he was without authority until Washington issued a warrant. Akers said he was turning the prisoner over.

11:35 am

Out 123

WTR

Akers called for 159 (Dr. Howell Brewer) and he was out of town.

11:35 1/2 am

Out 123

WTR

572 (Dr. ~~Stall~~ Stall)

Akers talked to Dr. Stall about what medicine he should take. Doctor advised him to take no more medicine and to take it easy. Akers replied

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that he intended to take it exceptionally easy.

11:40 am

Out 123

WTR

Unidentified man placed long distance call to Con Hanley, telephone Marquette-7197, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Man: I just got your message. I didn't know it was at the bank. The bank didn't notify me or nothing. I went up there and got it — what next I do? I haven't heard from you.

Hanley: You understand what to do. Those papers are to be filled out. That check is payable to me and you both. You endorse it and send it right back. Do you want me to hold out what you owe Tom?

Man: Yes.

Hanley: He has had some bad luck — in 7 loins.

Man: How much are you going to charge me?

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Stanley: Well, I told you I would charge
you no third. - - - - (in distinct) about
paying doctors)

12:03 pm

In 123

WTH

Mrs. Rosberry called for Chief Rosberry
but he was out

12:05 pm

Out 123

WTH

1696 (Chief Rosberry's residence)

Chief Rosberry called Mrs. Rosberry and
she asked him if he could come take "Robert
Simoney" to school as it was raining.
He said he was coming on home to dinner.

12:06 pm

Out 123

WTH

Watkins placed long distance call to Chief
of police at Colorado, Ark. Watkins stated
he had in custody a 14 year old boy
named Paul Horrie (phonetic) who said
he was from Colorado. The chief at Colorado
said he knew the boy. According to him the

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(Continuation of long distance call & chief of Blis, Eldorado)

the boy lives at 625 Fourth St. and runs away from home all the time. His parents are destitute and can't return the boy home so he will just have to make his way home as best he can.

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12.53pm

In on 123

NPS

man calling

Dutch, I will be down and
give you a package.

Dutch

OK

note It sounded as though the man talking,
owed Akers some money.

1.05pm

In on 123

Call for "Arch" Cooper. - "Not here"

1.06pm

Out 123

NPS

To 41

George Helm

Did you get a bad half dollar
the other day?

Man

Yeah. The man I got it from
knew where he got it. He left
the store and came back a little
while later with a good one.

George Helm

Thanks Jim.

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11:31 pm

Out 123

WTM

357

Woman (not Hoze's voice): Mr. Edwards?

Answer: He is out just now

Woman: Just as soon as you can get in touch with him tell him he is wanted at a meeting at the Mayor's Office.

1:31 1/2 pm

Out 123

WTM

~~Woman~~: 1239 (Ogark Bath House)

Woman: Mr. Deason (phonetic) there?

Answer: No he is out - probably find him at the Milwaukee Hotel.

1:32 pm

Out 123

WTM

2191 (Milwaukee Hotel)

Woman: Paul they want you to come to a meeting at the Mayor's Office as soon as you can.

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1:34 pm

Out 123

WTM

379

Woman: Carl, they are having a meeting
at the Mayor's office and want you
to come right away.

1:34 1/2 pm

Out 123

WTM

23

(him busy)

1:35 pm

Out 123

WTM

210 (Ohio Cigar Store)

Woman: Mr. Moody there?

Answer: No. He just left.

Woman: This is the Mayor's office. Get in touch
with him and tell him to come on down
to a meeting in the Mayor's office.

1:35 pm

Out 123

WTM

1639 (D.J. Wood and Son, filling station)

Woman: Asked Mr. Wood to come to the meeting
in the Mayor's office.

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1:36 pm Out 123 ZWTM

23 (F.C. Stearns Hardware Co.)

Woman called Mr. Hicklin (phonetic) - he was
out on flood relief work was the answer.

1:36 1/2 pm Out 123 ZWTM

126

(line busy)

1:42 pm In 123 ZWTM

Arthur Stevens: Say Dutch, there's been a
drunken fight and parade on the other
side from me. I am getting tired of it,
you know I have some pretty nice
customers.

Aker: Ok.

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2:30 P.m. - In on 123.

Har.

Fowler - Reported at 458.

2:46 P.m. - In on 123.

Woman - Has Archie Cooper reported
in about my check?

Fucker - I haven't seen him.

2:47 P.m. - In on 123.

Har.

Woman - Is Dutch there?

Fucker - No.

Woman - When will he be in?

Fucker - Here he comes now.

Okers - Hello.

Woman - Can I talk to you if I
come down?

Okers - Yes.

Har.

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2:50 Pm. - In on 123.

Has.

Man - Is Dutch Akers there?

Akers - Hello

Man - Dutch this is Ed - Lee - Did you hear from that party at the Arlington (Hotel)?

Akers - No - Not a word.

Ed Lee - Well, I thought you would. Everything's ok, then.

Akers - All right.

Has.

3:15 Pm. - In on 123.

George Young - Reported at 1987 (Spencer).

3:35 Pm. - In on 123.

Man - Is Young there?

Tucker - No he's not.

4:10 Pm. - out on 123.

Has -

Tucker - Called 68 and conversed socially with Joe Ferguson.

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4:20 P.m. - In on 123.

Har.

Man - Is Dutch Aken there?

Jucker - No.

4:25 P.m. - In on 123.

Man - Dutch in?

Jucker - No.

4:26 P.m. - Out on 123.

Har.

Man - Called 1024. (Richard Ryan, Attorney)

Girl - Hello.

Man - Is Mr. Ryan there?

Girl - No. He just went downstairs. He
may be in the bus station as
I think he's going out of
town.

4:28 P.m. - Out on 123.

Har.

Man - Called 65 (Bus Station) asked if
Mr. Judd Ryan was there -

Mr. L - He hasn't seen him.

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Har.

4:25 P.m. - out on 123.

Arch Cooper - Called Long Distance to
Mr. Matt Cummings at Murphysboro.

Opr. (pau) There is no phone listed
for him but I can send a
messenger and try to locate him.
Cooper - OK.

4:30 P.m. - out on 123.

Man - Called 1037

Har.

Clerk - Emory and Ridgeway.

Man - Is Curtis there? (Ridgeway).

Ridgeway - Hello.

Man - Curtis, is she up there now?

Ridgeway - Yes.

Man - Well, she wants to wait
about a month before paying
that bond. I'll be up there.

Ridgeway - OK.

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4:35 Pm. - Out on 123.

Man - Called Long Distance to Supt.
Todhunter, Pulaski County State
Farm, near Little Rock - Phone
number Little Rock 9542 -

L.D. Opr. - That number was an
unpublished number which is
now discontinued. I'll call you

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4:45 pm

In 123

WJW

Operator advised that the long distance
call to Little Rock was ready.

Cecile Brook talked to Todhunter (phonetic)
(apparently an official of some state penal
institution) and asked him if he
recalled a woman named Billy Blain,
a former inmate, who burned some
of the building at the State Farm for Women.
Todhunter had an indistinct recollection
of this and advised he would check
up on it and call back.

(Note: Billy Blain is one of the witnesses
who testified before the ~~legislature~~
legislative investigating committee
regarding the immorality of the Hot
Springs police officers.)

2-8-37.

- Has -

5:00 P.m. - Out on 123.

Man - Called 3574 (Plein Restaurant)
Ordered nineteen suppers.

5:01 P.m. - In on 123.

Man - Is Dutch there?

Tucker - No, he's not.

5:05 P.m. - In on 123.

Man - Is Herbert Akers in?

- Has -

Officer - Yes out.

5:15 P.m. - out on 123.

Officer - Called 1583.

Woman - Hello.

Officer - This is the City jail. an old
colored man down here says to
have Andy come down.

Woman - Yes sir.

- Has -

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5:17 Pm. - In on 123.

No one answered.

Has -

5:20 Pm. - Out on 123.

Arch Cooper - called Long Distance Opr.
and inquired as to his call
to Murphysboro.

L.D. Opr. - Haven't been able to locate
Mr. Cummings yet - I'll call you.

Has -

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5:27pm

In 123

WPS.

Man calling.

This is Neil, over at Newberry. Have you had any trouble with counterfeiters?

Albus

Yes. The town is full of them

I told it if you've got one

Neil.

Alright.

5:28pm

out 123

WPS.

Arch Cooper talking with Matt Cummings of Murfreesboro Tenn.

Arch Cooper Where is George Steele?

Cummings At Nashville.

Cooper Wasn't he your attorney?

Cummings Yes.

Cooper. You know what it is all about?

I need a little help. Matt.

Cummings Yes, I know.

Cooper. I need him for an attorney. Do you think it will be alright.

Cummings Yes.

Cooper Does he have a telephone at Nashville?

Cummings Yes, at his office + at his residence.

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Cooper - His name is George R. Don't it?
Cummings. Yes.

5.50 p.m.

In. 123.

WPS

Officer carried on domestic conversation
with woman.

5.50 p.m.

Out 123.

WPS

Arch Cooper put in call to Atty George R. Steele
at Nashville Tenn. Call completed at
5.32 p.m.

Cooper. Hello Jude, this is Arch Cooper. I'd
like to see you and talk to you.

Steele. I'll be down there in the morning
about 8 or 9 a.m. anyway.

Cooper. You can see me at my house.

Steele. I'd prefer to see you somewhere else,
say at a hotel.

Cooper. I live on the way into town. Cooper
then gave long instructions as to how
his home could be located.

Cummings. I'll call you when I get in town. What

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5:55pm

In 123

WTM

Hean called for Ahern saying he
was Rick Swain at house #3278.
Ahern was out.

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Stute (continued) - is your telephone no. 2

Cooper. 3339.

Recent call at 5:55pm In 123)

6.03pm.

Out 123.

NPS

To 425 (Evans Reeds Motor Co.)

Albers. Tell me talk to Charley Patterson.

Charley. Hello.

Albers. Where is Louie?

Charley. Over here.

Albers. Get a hold of her and bring her over here.

Charley. What's wrong.

Albers. Disturbing the peace. Ill set the bond at \$250⁰⁰. You can sign it for \$10⁰⁰.

Charley. Alright

6.05pm.

Out 123

NPS

Albers put in long distance call for Ben Shaver, attorney at Texarkana.

Call finally completed at 6.50pm.

123

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Akers. Mr. Shaver this is Herbert Akers. I
am calling in the interest of the
boys up here.

Shaver. I don't know if I can make it.
When is it? (Trial of police officers)

Akers. Monday week. - I'll let you
talk to Cooper.

Cooper. Hello, this is ~~one~~ of the victims.
George Steel will be on the case, too.

Shaver. Yes. I have worked with him
before.

Cooper. He will be here tomorrow morning.
Could you be here?

Shaver. No, not tomorrow morning. I
have some engagements but
I can be there Wednesday
morning.

Cooper. What time.

Shaver. About 9.00 or 9.30 A.M.

Cooper. Alright, if you can't make it,
give me a call at 3339.

123

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7.01 pm

out 123

WPS.

to 2410 (Eastman Hotel)

Akers asked for Brock, who could not
be located.

7.04 pm

out 123

WPS

To 1402 (Rm Carl Brock)

Akers - Hello "Louie"

Brock. Who (Laughed) Oh yes.

Akers. There is Arch (Cooper)

Cooper. Listen, I connected with both
parties. My men will be
here at 8 o'clock. The other one
will be here at 9.00 am Wednesday.

Brock. Alright, I'll see you some time
tomorrow.

7.10 pm

out 123

WPS

To 8601 - Little Rock Ark.

Akers. Is the Chief there?

Chief. Hello.

Akers. Get a hold of Todhunter. See

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He can recall when Billie Belair
set that state farm on fire with
a loss of \$60,000.00. As I recall
the matron later told me when
Billie was there, that she
didn't want her down there. I
will need all the witnesses I
can get, in case they put me
in jail (laughed).

I beat them to it, I broke
up their playhouse, they (committee
investigators) were saying that
I wanted to see them. I stopped
that. I am putting a piece in the
paper about it. The whole thing
is just about ready to blow
up.

Chief.

I don't know about that. The
paper tonight said that they
would have a perfect case by
Thursday.

123

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7.21 p.m.

In 123.

NPS

man calling.

It's over here.

Abuse.

I'm leaving now. If anybody tries to get in and drive away before I get there, just drive them over here.

7.21 p.m.

In on 123.

NPS

man calling.

This is the Arkansas Motor Coach Company, calling. A big red faced man just came in and told me to call you and said for me to tell you this. "Trail Hoover up Chapel St."

7.35 p.m.

In on 123.

NPS

man.

This is Johnnie Jones. I called about a pocketbook this morning.

Send a fellow out to the Oaklawn Tourist Camp for it right away.

Rushony

alright

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7.37 pm

out 648

WPS

To 600 (Mayor's meeting)

Chief Rasberry
Woman

Is the Mayor there?

no, but I can locate him.
and have him call you.

7.41 pm

In 123

WPS

Jones

Hello this is Jones at the
Oakland Tourist again. Did you
send that man out? I've got
this fellow cornered here, send
a man right away.

Rasberry

Right away.

7.41 pm

In 446

WPS

Man calling

This is Bill Hart calling, don't
mention my name. Call a messenger
boy and have him bring up a bottle
of gin
OK.

Watkins

Hart

As soon as I get down to see the old
man, I'll fix you up.

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7.44 pm

On 446

NPS

man

This is Leo

Rusbery

Did you call me?

mayor

No, I didn't.

7.52 pm

On 123

NPS

man

This is Harry. Can I see you.

abus

yes.

Harry

I'm over at the Black Cat.

I'll meet you over there by the
Ellis Club.

Det. Agent Sullivan proceeded to the vicinity
of the Ellis Club, but saw no persons
meeting or coming. A subsequent call
on 2/9/37 discloses that Harry failed to
meet "Dutch" Abus on this occasion.

7.54 pm

On 123

NPS

Mr. Stout

I made a call on Central Ave. one
of the boys put a tag on my car. I was
seeing one of my patients. Could you square it?

abus

I sure could.

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7:56 pm

In 446

WTM

Bob Dean, at New Era (newspaper) called
for Ahern. He had just stepped out.

8:01 pm

Out 123

WTM

Watkins called North Little Rock Police
asking them to go to Palace Hotel
and arrest a girl named Pat (last name
unknown) driving a black Chevrolet
sedan with Texas license plates. She is
wanted for robbery.

8:05 pm

In 123

WTM

Woman called for an officer to come to
712 Halvers to get a drunk.

8:06 pm

In 446

WTM

Officer Kelly called in at 66

8:15 pm

In 446

WTM

Man talked to Ahern said he was from
Spencer asking about a man taken

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from his store, no name was mentioned. Akers advised the man was arrested yesterday for robbery.

8:16 pm

In 123

WTM

Man called and asked if Glenn Beckman had a telephone. Officer replied that he did not.

8:20 pm

Out 123

WTM

~~1953~~ 1593 (Curtis L. Ridgeway County Attorney)

Jones (County Court Clerk who was robbed the other night) and Akers saying they had the man (who pulled the robbery) under arrest and his woman accomplice located in North Little Rock. Jones does not want to place his name on the warrant and wants Ridgeway to give Akers authority to arrest them as prosecuting attorney, information. Ridgeway agreed.

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8:25 pm

Out 446

WTM

1987 (Spencer's cigar store)

Watkins talked to Oliver and said
he was sending a messenger there
and to let him have a box of candy (\$1.00)
and will pay for it at 90¢ each tonight.

8:26 pm

In 123

WTM

Woman called for an officer to be sent to
130 Greenwood to make an investigation
in a vacant house near there.

8:27 pm

In 123

WTM

Officer Thompson, North Little Rock Police
called and advised he had in custody
the girl they asked him to arrest at
the Palace. Akins stated he would send
for her immediately.

8:30 pm

Out 123

WTM

2815 (Jerry Watkins's residence)

Man (probably Watkins) talked to "Clara" saying

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he is going to North Little Rock and
will come by fri if she wanted to go.
She said she did want to go.

8:30pm

In ~~123~~ 123

WTN

Girl called Samette Moore made an
appointment to meet him at the fight.

8:33pm

In 123

WTN

Man giving name "Harry" made an
appointment to meet Akers at the
"Confectonery" at about 10:30pm.

8:36pm

In 446

WTN

Woman called for Akers. He couldn't come
telephone. She said she would call later.

8:40pm

In 123

WTN

Man called for John Murray. Would not
be in until 9 o'clock.

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8:40 pm In 446 WTM
Watkins called in to Garnett Moore
asking him to go to Spencer and
get some gin and take it to 138 Cedar.

8:42 pm Out 446 WTM
2627 (Ada Garner)
Akers called and spoke to a man he
called Burt, asking him, "What is the
number of the other place? Reply was: "1992"

8:55 pm In 123 WTM
Man called for John Murray and said
he was "Jack at 212 3rd St" asking
that Murray release a woman prisoner
(name not mentioned) until in the
morning. Murray said he could not
do this and advised the caller to come
and get her out on bond.

123.

446.

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H.A.

9:00 P.m. - out on 123.

Akers - Called 3700 (newspaper) - Asked
for Bob Dean (reporter).

Roy - He's not here.

Akers - Have you heard whether the
delegation got in to see the
committee tonight?

Roy - we haven't heard yet. Want
me to call you?

Akers - No. I'll be by there -

9:02 P.m. - In on 446.

H.A.

Ellis - Reported at 3337.

9:05 P.m. - In on 123.

Man - Send a car to the cafe
next to Martins Pool Hall - drunk.
Officer - All right.

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9:18 P.m. - In on 123.

Has.

Man - Is Monroe Young there?

Corrington - No. He's gone home.

9:20 P.m. - In on 123.

Man - Is Ben Rogers there?

Corrington - No. He'll be back in about ten minutes.

Has.

9:48 P.m. - In on 446.

Fitzwater - Is Rogers in?

Rogers - Hello.

Fitzwater - Informed that Mrs Murphy, at W. Grand & Franklin St believed Viola Williams and Rose (both col) had stolen her clothing. Did not wish to prosecute them.

Rogers - It won't do any good, then, to arrest them, but I'll see what I can get Viola to say about it.

Has.

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Has

9:55 P.m. - In on 123-

Akers - I'll be at Spencer's, if I get any calls.

Officer - All right.

10:00 P.m. - In on 123-

Akers - Is Rogue in?

Corrington - He's upstairs.

Has

Akers - Tell him to call me at Spencer's when he comes down.

10:01 P.m. - In on 446-

Murray + Bradley - Reported at 116 (Miller's)

10:05 P.m. - In on 123-

Keely - Reported at 3337

Has

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Has.

10:05 Pm. - out on 446.

Rogers - Called 1987 (Spencer's) asked
to speak to Herbert Akers.

Akers - Hello.

Rogers - This is Rogers.

Akers - When "Rat" (Rachery) comes
back in, tell him to give
you the information on that
place we're going to raid
downtown tonight.

Rogers - All right.

Has.

10:15 Pm. - In on 446.

Man - Kelly says to send the car
out to The Roxy Theatre.

10:30 Pm. - In on 123.

Has

Man - Is Chief Detective Akers there?

Rogers - No.

Man - This is "Tink". Know where he is?

Rogers - He was on Spencer's corner.

("Tink" young is co-manager of Ohio Club).

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fat.

10:40 P.m. - out on 123

Rogers - called 1696 (Kasturji res.)

Mrs Kasberry - Hello?

Rogers - Is chief there?

Mrs Kasberry - No, he and Jerry Watkins
went to Little Rock to bring back
a woman that robbed Mr. Jones.

Rogers - Thanks. Just wanted to see him.

10:52 P.M. - In on 123.

Has.

Sam Cohn - (tailor) Reported someone
threw a rock through his window
at 110 - Street, near Pullman Hotel.

10:55 P.m. - In on 123.

L.D. opr - Do you have a Mr. Rodgers?

Corington - No. Have a Mr. Rogers -

opr - Have Rogers call Long Distance

Has.

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Hav.

11:00 P.M. - In on 446.

Murray & Bradley - at 777. (Black & White Cab)

11:05 P.M. - In on 446.

Rogers - Reported on Malvern St.

Corrington - Drive by the jail. I've
got a couple of parties want
you to talk to.

Rogers - All right.

Hav.

11:06 P.M. - In on 446

Kelly - Reported at 3012.

11:10 P.M. - Out on 123.

Hav.

Rogers - Called Long Distance Opr.

Opr. - Have been unable to com-
plete your call to Mr. Cleo
Anderson at Kirby, Ark.

Rogers - All right, get me the
Sheriff's Office at Arkadelphia.
(cont.)

(cont.)

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Has.

Sheriff - Hello.

Rogers - Advised that he believed Jess Bridges, who is wanted for forgery at Kirby, Ark., was in Arkadelphia yesterday.

Sheriff - Yes, I know, I caught him.

Rogers - Also requested that Sheriff be on look-out for Fred Eagles, col, who is wanted at Hot Springs. Give Eagle's description.

11:15 P.m. - Out on 123.

Has.

Officer - Called 3700.

Clerk - "Sentinal"

Officer - Any news from the committee at Little Rock?

Clerk - Only have information that Sam Watt was on stand, and also Mrs. Haines, aunt of John Dickson, who gave details about his death.

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Hsu.

11:30 Pm. - In on 446.

Kelly - Reported at 3337.

11:45 Pm. - Out on 123.

Officer - Called 3700 (Antinial - New Era)

Roy - Hello.

Officer - What have you heard from
Little Rock?

Roy - Sam Watt testified and last
report was that Archie Hedgerwood
was on the stand.

Officer - What about the delegation from
here?

Roy - Our report was at about 8:00 Pm
and at that time the spokesman
for the delegation had requested
to come in, but no action had
been taken.

Hsu.

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8:25 am

In 648

WTM

No answer.

8:45 am

In 648

WTM

Woman giving name of Mrs. Merritt at
280 asked for ^{Judge Edgewood} ~~Shawyer~~. He was out
and Mrs. Merritt asked to have him
call her.

8:47 am

Out 648

WTM

Mrs. Marsh called 1120 but call
was not completed for immediately
a man placed call to 269. This last
call was not completed.

8:50 am

In 648

WTM

Man called for the way n. He was
not expected in his office until 9 o'clock.
Calling party said he would call again.

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8:48⁴⁸ am

Out 648

WTM

123 (Chief of Police)

Man (apparently alien) asked if Melford Sanders was there - he was not.

8:49 am

Out 648

WTM

Western Union

Man (apparently alien) asked the time. Reply: "Eleven of mine"

8:51 am

In 648

WTM

Man asked for Judge Hedgerwood. The judge had not come in. Calling party requested that he be called at 1613

8:51⁴⁹ am

Out 648

WTM

Judge Hedgerwood called 280 and woman answering replied "G. L. Merritt & Sons." Mrs. Merritt told Judge Hedgerwood a colored boy employed by her named Clyde Holland had to appear in court this morning for fighting. She explained

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that Holland said he was chased
with a stick of wood as a reason
for his fighting. Hedgeswood said;
"Alright I'll take care of it when
the case comes up."

9:01am Out 648 WTM

1613

No answer

9:02am Out 648 WTM

1613

No answer

9:03am Out 648 WTM

152 (National Park Service)

Akers: Cap, we got that Kenneth ~~Star~~ (phonetic)

Ford (automobile) again this morning.

Cap: That is the one the judge dismissed?

Akers: Yes

Cap: Then there isn't any use doing anything.

Akers: Well, I thought I would call you and let

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You know - thought you might want
to check on it.

Cap: Well I'll be down there and get the
dope on it. I might as well check him
off.

9:05 am

On 648

WTM

Mayor McLaughlin answered.

George S. Roe (phonetic): This is Roe (phonetic), George
S. Roe. You know I have been studying
about our local situation and I wish I
could make an address before that bunch
at Little Rock in behalf of our city.

Mayor: Why yes, sure, you could talk to them
tonight.

Roe: Well I'd like to but we would have to make
some arrangements about my expense money,
you know, down there and back. You know,
I've got the privilege of the floor that most
of them fellows haven't got - as an ex-member.
I've got a burning desire to tell them about
the way things are going.

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Mayor: Well you give me a ring later -
I'll have time to think it over.

9:08 am

Mr 648

WTCM

Dr. Reed spoke to Judge Hodgwood about traffic tickets on his Dodge automobile and said he was then preparing for a tonsil operation. Hodgwood reminded Dr. Reed that this car had given a great deal of trouble and he had ignored his traffic summons. Dr. Reed attempted to explain that the emergencies of his profession caused him to push his car against traffic regulations and that is why he got the tickets. Hodgwood advised him he had better come right down to his office (Hodgwood's).

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9.29 am out on 648 to 365 - Busy

WPS

9.30 am. Out on 648 to 365

WPS

Mayor made an engagement with Mr. Pugh
a dentist for 10.15 am

9.32 am. Out on 648

WPS

Mayor asked information for telephone no. of
the Jockey Club at Oaklawn Race Track - No. listed
Mayor asked for no. of Henry Shroder/Oaklawn
Race Track. - was told it was 2091.

9.34 am out on 648 to 2091 - No answer.

WPS

9.37 am out on 648

WPS

Mayor put in long distance calls for
"Crepp" Hall, Secretary of State and for Ernest
Maunder at the House of Representatives.
Little Rock Ark.

9.40 am In on 648 from Little Rock Ark.

WPS

Mayor. Hello.

Hall - How are you, Leo.

Mayor. I had a mishap yesterday and

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couldn't get there on time. I'll be over in a day or two. I am working on that KTHS (Hot Springs Radio Station) case and here some work at the library there.)

you know after the election over here, I talked to the boys and told him of the situation. We had to go against you and the others to save the ticket. afterwards I told him we were going down the line with him and we will, I don't want to do anything that will make him think we are not with him. you know those

B----- who are with him now, will turn on him. Then he will have to turn to the old timers like

Landers^{Ed} (Placing Judge - Oklahoma Race Track), Hutchins and myself. We're got an organization those B----- haven't got anything. Now about that bill over there (Racing Bill).

Hall - There isn't a quidge now about that

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bill, I don't think it will ever come
up

Mayor. You and Carl are on top and I hope you
both stay there.

Hall. I'll tell you something, Leo, but don't
repeat it. I talked with him about
this long before anything was done. He said
I will show you the bill before we do
anything. I told him then, if you have
anything like what you are talking
about in it, I'll tell you now I am
against it. Well, he never showed
it to me after that. He called in 2 or 3
senators afterward and they even refused
to talk about it. I don't even think
that one (a bill) is written. Don't repeat
anything I've said about this.

Mayor. No, I won't.

Hall. On the last conversation I had with
him about your county, he agreed with
me, but, I guess, somebody got to him
since then.

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Mayor - Well I told him I would stay with him even if he kicked me in the face. We have an organization here that will go down the line with him. You boys have got to know we are with you.

Hall - Anything I can ever do, I will do, Leo.

Mayor - Tell him to call off the dogs and let us be with him, Tell him to call off the dogs.

ORS

9.50 am. Out on 648 called for Ernest near Little Rock. Not in yet.

ORS

9.52 am. Out on 648 to Charles Cella, St Louis mo

Mayor - Hello

Cella - Hello, how are you?

Mayor - Hamilton called me last night, What did he want?

Cella - He called me about the appointment of two other men, I told him one had to

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be Palmer and the other one is (interrupted)
Mayor. The other is Ray?

Allen. Joe is down there now. That's all he
said, also that Chester was before the
Commission. I told him I would
come down there soon. Joe is down
there, too.

Mayor. Alright. I'll have a talk with
him.

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10:03am

In 648

WTM

Man giving name Charles Rockefeller
call Mayor McKoughlin telling him
that "the judge" is very sick.

10:05am

In 648

WTM

Long distance operator informed that the
call to Mr. Mares at Little Rock was ready.
Miss Marsh advised that the Mayor was
temporarily out of his office.

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10.14 am Out on 648 to 444 (P.D.) WPS

Mayor asked for Jack the Janitor. Was told he wasn't there. Then he asked that "Suede" Watkins come to his office.

10.16 am. In on 648 WPS

Chief Raspberry asked for Judge Fedgeewood. He's already gone.

10.40 am. In on 648 WPS

Mr. Smith left a message for the Mayor to call him at 576.

10.41 am. In on 648 WPS

Man asked when the Mayor would be back. Hazel said any minute now.

10.59 am. In on 648 WPS

Mayor - Anybody there

Hazel - Mr. Denby & Mr. Haley

Mayor - I'll be over in a minute.

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10.59 am In on 648

APS

Pete left message for mayor to call him at #183.

11.00 am In on 648

APS

Sheriff's office left message for mayor to call them.

11.00 am In on 648.

APS

Man asked for Merwin Anderson - Try #1124.

11.01 am In on 648

APS

Long distance call for anyone from Mr. Davies at Little Rock.

Geo. McLaughlin. Hello this is George. He's out and Hazel will be in, in a minute.

Hazel to phone. Hello

Davies: Tell him (the mayor) the Sheriff of that County is named Will Benton and a right type of fellow and probably would have a great deal of influence on that man he wants to. Have him contact Benton through somebody.

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Hazel : Have you any suggestions as to who can do it?

Sunny Davis : There are people here who could do it, but I don't want them. Let him handle it

11.05 A.M. Out on 648

WPS

Called Mr McNeill, Marion Hotel, Little Rock.
Operator reported he was not registered there.

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11:13 am In 648 WTM

My dispatcher operator called to ~~inform~~
remind call to Kettle Rock was ready.
The wagon is still out of his office.

11:15 am Out 648 WTM

3800 Arkansas Nat'l. Bank)

Hazel called there to locate the wagon - he
was not there.

11:15 1/2 am Out 648 WTM

871

Hazel called - no answer.

11:16 am Out ~~648~~ 648 WTM

365 (Dr. R. L. Turk, Dentist, Wade Bldg.)

(him busy)

11:17 am Out 648 WTM

2393 (Marion Audum, Sheriff)

Man called and said when "Maxie" comes in
send her to school to get the kids.

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11:17 1/2 am

Out 648

WTM

365 (Mr. R.C. Tuck)

Hazel asked if Mayn was there. Mr. Tuck
said he left there 30 minutes ago.

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11.28 am. In on 648

BPS.

Hazel Marsh talked with girl friend.

11.35 a.m.

out on 648 (Sheriff's office)
to 613

WPS.

11.39 am.

In on 648

WPS.

Judge Fudge.

Leo there?

Mayor

Hello

Judge Fudge.

I just got a call from Arch (Cooper).
He's got one of those things and
I thought you would want to
look at it. He will be by about
2 p.m. and we'll talk to him

Mayor.

I'm busy but I'll try to come
by for a few minutes

11.41 A.M.

Out on 648

WPS.

Mayor calling Rep. Manner at Little Rock Ark.

Mayor.

I just now mailed some papers
to you. Put them on their desks.

Manner.

O.K. They (the legislators) were

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Call 11.41 am (continued).

Mayor. asking about racing passes.

Mayor. Tell them, they will be out in plenty of time and there will be enough for everybody. What's doing?

Mayor. Nothing that I know of. They are working on an appropriation bill now.

Insert Call at 11:50 am over 648)

11.54 a.m. Out on 648

10:25

to 728 (Com. Hotel)

Hazel. asked for Mr. Reynolds.

Reynolds to phone. He'll

Mayor. Some of the business folks around town thought of going over there (Little Rock) and seeing the committee and telling them the allegations which have been made against Hot Springs are ruining business and hurting the town. That the breakdown of law here, which they allege is not founded in fact.

Reynolds. What time will it be

Insert

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11:50 am

In 648

WTL

Woman giving name of Mrs. Smith
called and was very anxious for an
appointment. Mayor put her off saying
he was too busy and had too many
people standing around waiting for him.

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Mayor. About 7.30 p.m. but came over to
my office about 1 p.m.

11.57 a.m. out on 648 WPS.

to 3611 (Kingsway Garage)

Anderson. Is Red Palmer there?

Palmer. Hello.

Anderson. This is Anderson. Come down to
the Mayor's office right away.

Palmer. Alright.

11.59 a.m. Out on 648 WPS.

to 280.

Anderson. Is Merritt there.

Man. No.

Anderson. I have him come over to the
Mayor's office at 1.00 p.m.

11.59 p.m. out on 648 WPS

to 750

Line Busy

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12.00 p.m.

out on 648

WPS

to 450

Lunie Busy.

12.00 p.m.

out on 648

WPS

to

#7 (L. D Cooper Grocery)

Anderson. Is L D Cooper Sr. in?

Cooper Jr. to phone Hello.

Anderson. Can your father be at the Mayor's office at 10 p.m.?

Cooper Jr. I don't think so. He has a luncheon engagement with the Anheuser of Anheuser-Busch at 100 p.m.

Anderson. I will call him later.

12.05 p.m.

out on 648

WPS

to 3600

Hang up

12.06 p.m.

out on 648

WPS

to 280

Hazel. - Miller, where is Mr. Merritt

- 21 -

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1206 pm (Continued)

Hazel - What time will he be in?

Mullen - In a little while.

Hazel. Tell him to be at the Mayor's office
at 1.30 p.m. not 7.00 p.m.

Mullen. O.K.

12.09 pm. Out on 648 WPS
to 3400 (J. Langley Ins Agency.)

Reed Farmer asked Langley to try and be at
Mayor's office at 1 p.m. Langley
somewhat cool to idea but said
he would try to make it.

12.10 pm. Out on 648 WPS
to 601

Hazel asked for Mr. Collier.
Man He's out - Call 924.

12.10 pm. In on 648 WPS

Pete - Is the Mayor in?

Hazel. No, He's out

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12.11 p.m.

Out on 648

DPS.

to 924 (Mrs P. Collier)

Hazel -
Collier

Let me speak to Mr. Collier
Hello

Hazel.

Can you be at the Mayor's office at
1.30 p.m.

Collier.

I sure can

12.12 p.m.

Out on 648

DPS.

to 3100.

Farmer.

Mr. Longinotti, we are having
a meeting at the Mayor's office at
1.30 p.m.

Longinotti

My father or I?

Farmer.

Both of you come.

Longinotti

Will try.

12.14 p.m.

Out on 648

DPS

to 165 (Moody Hotel)

Woman calling.
Woman

Frank Moody or Max Gold there?
Both are at lunch

man

Tell both to come to Mayor's office
at 1.30 p.m. - 23-

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12.15 p.m. out on 648

NPS

to 3601 (Community Bank)

Man.

Cherley can you be down at
the Mayor's office at 1.30 p.m.?

Mayor.

Ill try to make it

12.15 p.m.

out on 648

NPS

to 1987 (C. J. Spencer Cycle Store).

It hung up.

12.16 p.m.

out on 648

NPS

to 750 (Mose Holman Motors).

Anderson - Mose, be down to the Mayor's
office at 1.30 p.m.

Mose

Ill try.

Holman

12.16 p.m.

out on 648

NPS

to 906 (J. J. Joplin)

Man - Tell Frank we want him at the
Mayor's office at 1.30 p.m.

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12.17 pm

out on 648

WPS

to 867

man. Tell Arthur Wilson to beat
the Mayor's office at 1.30 pm.

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12:18pm

Out 648

WTM

586

Auderson (Sheriff): Dzzio, come over to the Mayor's office at 1:30.

Dzzio: Alright.

12:19pm

Out 648

WTM

188 (Kion Oil Sales Co. Grand Central)

Reed (Fowler or Farmer): Al Mathis? (Mathis answers) Come over to the Mayor's office at 1:30. I want you to go to Little Rock at 6:30 in my behalf. If you can go I will take you in my car.

Mathis: Alright.

12:20pm

Out 648

WTM

268

(no answer)

12:20 1/2 pm

Out 648

WTM

109

(no answer)

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12:21 pm

Out 648

WTM

45

Anderson (Sheriff): Come on over to Mayor's
Office at 1:30.

Answering party: Alright.

12:22 pm

Out 648

WTM

150

Woman answered and said everyone had
gone out - name of party called for indistinct.

12:23 pm

Out 648

(Zucker)

WTM

3026 (Bernard ~~Zucker~~, 201 Broad.)

Mrs. ~~Zucker~~ Zucker informed that Zucker
could be reached at 521

12:24 pm

Out 648

WTM

521

Anderson (Sheriff): Zucker, Come over to the
Mayor's Office at 1:30 and stop by and pick
up Perry.

Zucker: Well, I will. You better call him through.

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12:25 pm Out 648 WTM
3084-R

Reed (Forbes or Farmer): Jess, I want to get a bunch of men to go to Little Rock and help us out. We are going to meet in the Mayor's office at 1:30. Come on up.

Jess: I'll be down.

12:26 pm Out 648 WTM

1987 (Spencer's Cigar Store, 801 Central)

Man: Spencer? Come over to the Mayor's office at 1:30.

Spencer: I'll be over.

12:28 pm Out 648 WTM

430 (Carrigan ~~Carrington~~ & Stephens, 258 Central Ave)

Anderson (Sheriff): Come over to the Mayor's office at 1:30.

Carrigan: ~~Carrington~~: Alright.

12:30 Out 648 WTM

1641

Anderson (Sheriff): Mrs. Riobach (phonetic), will you come over to the Mayor's office at 1:30?

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Riebach: You bet I will.

12:31pm

Out 648

WTM

770 (Paul Heady, General Director)

Anderson (Sheriff): Paul, can you come over to the Mayor's Office at 1:30?

Heady: Yeah.

12:32pm

Out 648

WTM

3733 (George W. Thomas, 719 Central Ave.)

Anderson (Sheriff): Mr. Thomas, can you come over to the Mayor's Office at 1:30?

Thomas: Oh! My God, can't you make it later on?

I have a luncheon appointment, well, I'll get over there just as quick as I can get off.

12:34pm

Out 648

WTM

522

Man calling: by name (phonetic) there?

Answer: No he is not right now.

Man calling: Get in touch with him and have him at the Mayor's Office at 1:30.

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12:35 pm

Out 648

WTR

363 (Roentgen's Shoe Store, 710 Central)

Mayor: Harry, I would like to have you come over to the office at 1:30 - if you are not busy - we are having a little caucus.

Harry: Be right over.

12:36 pm

Out 648

WTR

183 (Rushing Printers, 607 Second)

Mayor: Check (phonetic), did you want me?

Check: Yeah, you want me to list Joe Wakeling as Chief of Police?

Mayor: Well, (pause) he is not Chief yet.

Check: Well, I don't know what to do - you see, this is going to be a permanent thing.

Mayor: Well, I'll talk to you when you come down.

Check: Alright, I want to see you about something else.

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12:39 pm

Out 648

WTM

165 (Moody Hotel)

Man: Wants to speak to Mark (Mark was called to phone)

Mark, he wants to see you in his office at 1:30.

Mark: Aw, what the hell does he want?

Man: I don't know.

Mark: What's up?

Man: I don't know. Coming over?

Mark: Where at his office?

Man: Yes, at 1:30.

12:40

Out 648

WTM

3729 (E. G. Barry, 235 Bower)

Man: Ed Barry there?

Child: No

Man: Let me speak to Mr. Barry.

Mr. Barry: This is Mr. Barry.

Man: Is Ed there

Mr. Barry: No.

Man: Tell him to come to the Mayor's office at 1:30.

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12.45 p.m. In on 648

NPS.

Mrs. Bette inquired whether it would be alright to have a bridge party for the benefit of the V.T.W. in the lobby of the Marquette Hotel. The mayor suggested she see Scott Wood or some of the other "reformers" about it, as they might have her arrested.

12.46 p.m. Out on 648.

NPS.

to 2105 (J. B. Selig)
(Selig)
Hazel requested Joe Selig beat Mayor's office at 1.30 p.m.

12.47 p.m. out 648

NPS.

to 2148

for Mr. Asberry

Be at Mayor's office at 1.30 p.m.

12.50 p.m. out 648

NPS.

to 1821

Go to Laughlin. Say Charley, be at the Mayor's office.

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at 1.30 p.m. - What is Frank

Tommy's hotel number.

Charley

Its #744 (Chapel Hotel)

12.56 p.m.

Out 648

WPS

to 704

no answer

12.51 p.m.

Out 648

WPS

to 879 (Leon Hinkelspil - Broker)

Farmer.

Mr Hinkelspil, a meeting at 1.30 p.m.
at Mayor's office.

12.53 p.m.

Out 648

WPS

to 728 (Como Hotel)

for Ledgerwood

He is not in.

12.56 p.m.

Out 648

WPS

To 2379 W. (Vern Ledgerwood Lake home)

Reed Palmer

Come in and help us get up a
list of names for a meeting

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Read Palmer. at the Mayor's office. He is just about
out of names.

12.57 p.m.

out 648

WPS

To 237 (Albert Mendel Co)

Have Mr Mendel come to the Mayor's
office at 1.30 p.m.

12.59 p.m.

out 648

WPS

To 740 (Chapel Hotel)

Asked that Mr Tommy come to Mayor's office.

1.00 p.m.

out 648.

WPS

To 1567

Have Mr Louis Dodge come to Mayor's office.

1.01 p.m.

out 648

WPS

To 280

Have Mr Merritt come to Mayor's office.

1.02 p.m.

out 648

WPS

To 1000 (Vance Bros. Pawn Shop)

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asked for Mr. Vance
you can get him at 2745-

1.04 p.m.

Out 648

WPS.

To 150

I have Ed Bennett at Mayor's office at 1.30 p.m.

Man Answering

yes Sir.

1.05 p.m.

Out 648

WPS.

To 102 (Alfred McQueen, Clothing)

Beat Mayor's office at 1.30 p.m.

1.06 p.m.

Out 648

WPS.

To 591 (Jett Bros. Snowy Warehouse)

Man calling

Andy Jett there?

Man Answering

No, He's sick.

1.11 p.m.

In on 648

WPS.

Woman calling

'About 20 minutes ago, someone
called you & said it was "arch"

Mayor

Thanks. He's here now.

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1.11 p.m. On on 648

Rev.

man calling, This is Cohen.

See me laughing. Can you come to the
meeting at 1.30 p.m.?

Cohen.

alright.

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1:16 pm Out 648 WTM
233 (h. U. Freeman lumber Co., 523 Ouachita)

Hazel: Mr. Freeman in?

Answer: No he is out.

Hazel: Will you get word to him that there is
a meeting at 1:30 at the Mayor's office?

1:18 pm Out 648 WTM
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Hazel: Mr. Armstrong, ^(phonetic) he wants to know
if you can come over here at 1:30 - they are
having a meeting?

Armstrong: Yes.

1:20 pm In 648 WTM

Man: Miss Hazel, ^{this is Del Beams.} Some one want me?

Hazel: Yes Del, wonder if you could drop over
here at 1:30?

Beams: Yes.

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1:24pm Out 648 WTM

242 (Honylone Flower Shop, 136 Central)
hedgerwood: Honylone this is hedgerwood; he
and I are down here at his office having
a little meeting of several business
men. Can you come down?
Honylone: Yes.

1:25pm Out 648 WTM

365

(No answer)

1:26pm Out 648 WTM

326

Man called for Mack (he was out) and left word for
to call the Mayor's office.

1:26 1/2 pm In 648

Man called for Mayor. Hazel said she could
not get him to the phone. Man said he would
call later.

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1:27 pm

In 648

WTH

Man calling: We just had a fireproof
of lunch. They are going to have a
meeting in the State Federation of
Labor Office in the morning. I made
an appointment at 8 o'clock.

Maya: That's fine Pete.

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1.32 pm.

Out on call

WAS

to 3700 (Sentinel Road & New Era)

Mayor calling for Bob Dean.

Dean.

Hello.

Mayor.

I wonder if it would be possible for you to be over at 1.30 pm?

Dean.

No, I've got to be here to make the paper up.

Mayor.

This is what we are doing, but not any publicity now. There are about 35 men here right now and more coming all the time.

They're going over tonight before that Committee (Legislative Committee)

meeting. It's an open meeting.

Can you be there?

Dean.

No, but Kent will be there.

Mayor.

Have you any suggestions, Bob?

Dean.

Who is going over?

Mayor.

Oh! Business men. A lot of young men as Arthur Welch, Dick

Merritt, Vance (Vance Bros Partnership) and

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1.32 pm call on 648 (continued)

a lot of others will be over. Don't
say anything about this until I
call you later.

Dean. Alright Leo.

1.37 pm.

Out on 648

NVS

to 512 (Murphy Bros Garage)

Mayor.

Anybody there to receive you?

Man.

yes I'll be over in 15 minutes.

1.39 pm.

In on 648

NVS

man

This is Freeman calling.

Hazel.

Come down to the Mayor's office.

Freeman.

Alright.

1.40 pm.

Out on 648

NVS

to 110 (Mr. F. S. Tarleton)

Hazel.

- Could you run down to the Mayor's office?

Mr. Tarleton.

No. I have two patients here waiting
for me.

Hazel.

She's alright. I'll get about it.

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1.41 p.m. Out on 648 WPS.

to 102 (Alfred McQueen Clothing)

Hazel talked with girl, who said that Mr. Cohen +
one salesgirl only ones at store and she didn't
believe he could come over.

1.43 p.m. Out on 648 WPS.

Mayor put in long distance call for Rep.
Campbell at Little Rock, Ark.

1.46 p.m. Out on 648 WPS.

to 777 (Black + White Tavern).

Hazel - ^(Millham) Dany Leo wants you to come
down right away
Don. I'll be right down

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Har.

1:50 Pm. - In 648.

L.D. Opr. - Ready with Mr. Campbell
at Little Rock, for Mayor McLaughlin.

Campbell - Hello.

McLaughlin - What time does that
committee meet tonight?

Campbell - I imagine about seven
o'clock.

McLaughlin - Find out for sure and
let me know. Some of the boys
are interested in knowing.

1:54 Pm. - out on 648.

Fannie (McLaughlin) - Called 734 -

Har.

Man - Hello -

Fannie - Mr. Tasky there?

Man - No, he isn't.

Fannie - Have him call the Mayor's
Office when he comes in.

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Har.

1:55 P.m. - out on 648.

Fannie - Called 1125 (- Motor Co.)

Asked for Mr. McWilliams.

Clerk - He's not here now.

Fannie - Have him call the Mayor's Office

1:56 P.m. - In on 648.

Har.

L. D. Opr. - collect call from Little Rock
for Mayor McLaughlin.

Hazel - (pause) I'll accept charges
and talk to the party.

Jim Campbell - The meeting will be
at the same place in the Wallace
Building at seven P.m. tonight.

Hazel - all right - Thanks.

2:10 P.m. - In on 648.

Lasky - Did the Mayor want me?

Fannie - He wants you to come over
to his office.

Lasky - All right.

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2:15 P.m. - In on 648.

Har.

Dr. McCray - Did you want me, too?

McLaughlin - Yes. A delegation of 50 or 75 men will leave here at a quarter to five to go over to Little Rock & be there when the committee meets at the Wallace Bldg. It'll have a good moral effect. Would like you to go.

Dr. McCray - I have to be at the Hospital at five o'clock but I'll come up to Little Rock as soon as I get through -

2:16 P.m. Out on 648.

Har.

McLaughlin - Called 991 for Ed Mooney.

Mooney - Hello.

McLaughlin - Come over in the next few minutes, will you?

Mooney - all right - At your office?

McLaughlin - yes -

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2:17 Pm. - out on 648.

McLaughlin - Called 2115 (per - W. S. Jacobs)
girl - Hello -

McLaughlin - Mr. Jacobs there?

girl - No he's not. He's gone out.

McLaughlin - Know where he is?

girl - No, I don't.

2:18 Pm. - out on 648.

McLaughlin - Called 1065 (Southern Grill)

Op. - Line is busy.

2:25 Pm. - In on 648.

Woman - Who is this, Fannie McLaughlin?

Fannie - Yes.

Woman - Who do you see about
getting in the races?

Fannie - You're too early to think
about that now. Wait about
two weeks and then call.

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Has.

2:27 Pm. - In on 648.

Man - Is Mayor McLaughlin there?

McLaughlin - Hello.

Man - This is Johnnie, want me?

McLaughlin - Yes. A bunch of people are leaving for Little Rock at 4:45.

We'll need all your cabs. Have them down here then.

Johnnie - All right.

(note: Johnnie is probably John Clement - operator of Red Top Cab Co. and Packards for Hire.)

Has.

2:35 Pm. - out on 648.

Akers - Called 425 (Evans Reader Motor Co)

Clerk - Hello.

Akers - Is "Pat" there?

Clerk - He's out.

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2:35 P.m. - In on 648.

Har.

Man - Is Mr. McLaughlin there?

McLaughlin - Hello.

Man - This is Johnnie - (Clement?) -

I'm getting Jack Bridges to go over

too. I'm getting up two car-

loads with Checker (cab). Will

you have Mr. Murphy write out

what he wants us to say?

McLaughlin. - Yes. All right.

2:36 P.m. - In on 648.

Har.

McLaughlin - Hello.

Man - This is Larry McWilliams.

Did you want me?

Man - The crowd is leaving from

the City Hall at 4:45. Jesse

(Murphy) is spokesman. Can you

go and bring your car?

McWilliams - yes. I'll be down.

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Has-

2:47 Pm. - out on 648.

Man - Called 728 - no answer.

2:47 Pm. - out on 648.

Man - Called 420 - no answer.

2:52 Pm. - in on 648.

Has-

McLaughlin - Hello.

Man - This is Gillham, at the
Black & White Cab. I appreciate you
asking me and calling on me.
I'll be right there with a
car.

McLaughlin - We may need another
one - Have you got another car
that's not painted with advertising?

Gillham - yes.

McLaughlin - Well, bring it down too.

Has-

3:00 P.m. - Out on 648.

Har.

McLaughlin - Called 2091.

Woman - Hello.

McLaughlin - What's the number for
the grand-stand? (Oaklawn Race Track)

Woman - 807.

3:01 P.m. - out on 648

Har.

McLaughlin - Called 807.

Joe - Hello.

McLaughlin - How are you, Joe? I was
talking to Charlie (Cella) this
morning -

Joe - Yes, I did too, yesterday -

McLaughlin - Have Gene and John
been out there today?

Joe - Yes, they were -

McLaughlin - Where is Dr. Ashe now?

Joe - Last address I had (pause)
was - Dr. Frederick W. Ashe,

El Gard, 1157 - S.W. 5th St.

Miami, Florida.

McLaughlin - Thanks - -50-

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3:10 P.m. - In on 648. Hos.

McLaughlin - Hello.

John Barry - Martin (Joe?) called me
yes, and said you wanted Dr.
Ashe's address. His latest address
is 2444 Marengo Street, New
Orleans, La. I wrote him there
the other day.

McLaughlin - (aside - "hold that letter")
Thanks -

3:12 P.m. - In on 648. Hos.

McLaughlin - Hello -

Man - Joe (Martin?) called me - Gene
Barry. That man's address might
be changed now.

McLaughlin - Yes. Thanks. John (Barry)
called me and gave it.

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3:21 P.m. - in on 648. Hed-

Mrs. Ledgerwood - Is Judge Ledgerwood there?

Ledgerwood - Hello -

Mrs. Ledgerwood - I'm out in the country
Call Joe Wakelin right away, will
you?

Ledgerwood - all right. What's his number?

Mrs. Ledgerwood - 1723.

Ledgerwood - OK. Larry's going to
Little Rock with the crowd. I'll
see you at dinner at the Como.

3:22 P.m. - out on 648 Hed-

Ledgerwood - called 1723 (Joe Wakelin's no.)

Wakelin - Hello. (very weak voice)

Ledgerwood - What do you know?

Wakelin - Where can I see you?

Ledgerwood - Did everything turn out
all right?

Wakelin - I want to see you

Ledgerwood - OK. I'll come right on out.

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3:30 Pm. - Out on 648.

McLaughlin - Called 2234 (Judge Witt, res.)

Woman - Hello.

McLaughlin - Is Carl there?

Witt - Hello.

McLaughlin - How long have you been
the Circuit Judge?

Witt - Since 1922.

McLaughlin - And how much did you
reduce the court operating expenses?

Witt - The first ten years I was
in office I saved \$80,000.00 to
the County Court expense. This was
that much saved over the previous
ten years before I took office, while
Scott Wood and Judge Cotham were
in office. I had a C.P.A. in
Little Rock to check it. I gave all
that information to Jim Campbell.

McLaughlin - OK - Thanks.

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3:35 Pm. - In on 648.

Has.

Girl (Fannie) - Asked for Hazel.

Hazel - Hello.

Girl - That fellow who owns the Black & white cab is named Dan Gillham. Says he has two cars without painting on them and is bringing both.

3:40 Pm. - In on 648.

Has.

McLaughlin - Hello.

Witt - So this is Earl. The audit of those accounts was made by C.P.A. firm of Chase, at Little Rock.

McLaughlin - All right.

3:54 Pm. - In on 648.

Has.

McLaughlin - Hello.

Bob (Dean) - A release says they're defeating the racing bill now - House rules suspended - agreeable to Mauer and Campbell - Must be all right.

McLaughlin - Yes. Thanks. - 54 -

2-8-37.

Has.

3:55 P.m. - In on 648.

L. D. Spr. - Have a collect call from Mr. Miller at Little Rock.

McLaughlin - All right - Hello.

Miller - Hello. Les, I want to tell you that the repeal bill (horse racing) only got 30 votes - to 64 against repeal - Come over tomorrow if you can - We're in good shape

McLaughlin - Don't know whether I can or not. When does that committee meet tonight?

Miller - They may have put it off. The House meets tonight.

McLaughlin - Well, they've been down here all day looking up witnesses.

Miller - I guess the committee will meet, then.

McLaughlin - How's the other thing?

Miller - It's in fine shape.

McLaughlin - I'll try to come over -

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Has.

4:10 Pm. - In on 648.

Ebel - Leo, did you hear the result
of the vote on the racing bill?
McLaughlin - Yes. That's fine.

4:12 Pm. - In on 648.

Has.

McLaughlin - Hello.

Man - This is Turner. A fellow told
me that there would be a bunch
of cars going up to Little Rock to-
night from the City Hall.

McLaughlin - I haven't heard anything
about it.

Turner - Well I heard that there will be.

McLaughlin - Yes?

Turner - You know me - over at the
hotel.

McLaughlin - Oh! yes. I didn't know who
you were at first.

Turner - I can get a couple of cars.

McLaughlin - Fine. Meet over here at 4:45.

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Hrs.

4:15 P.m. - In on 648.

McLaughlin - Hello -

Man - Leo, did you hear the result
on the racing bill?

McLaughlin - Yes. Fine -

4:17 P.m. - Out on 648.

Hrs.

McLaughlin - Called Long Distance -

L.D. Opr - Long Distance

McLaughlin - Got me three men at

Little Rock: - Mr. Manier, Mr. Campbell,
and Senator Wheatley - all at the
State House -

4:20 P.m. - In on 648.

Hrs.

L.D. Opr - Ready with Mr. Manier -

Manier - Hello.

McLaughlin - There's a bunch of people
leaving here after a bit and
going to be at the Wallace Bldg.
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Har.

where that committee meets, just before seven o'clock. You and Jim (Campbell) and Wheatley meet them there. Jesse Murphy is to be the spokesman. Tell Campbell and Wheatley and be sure that they get in to the committee hearing.

Marina - All right Les, we'll do it.

4:22 P.M. - In on 648.

Har.

L. D. Opr. - Do you still want the calls in for Mr. Campbell and Sen. Wheatley? (possibly she overheard the above conversation)
McLaughlin - Yes, to Sen. Wheatley, but not to Mr. Campbell.

4:25 P.M. - In on 648.

Har.

L. D. Opr. - Reported ready with Mr. Wheatley.
Wheatley - Hello -
McLaughlin - Informed Wheatley of the

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Has

delegation from Hot Springs going
to Little Rock tonight, and to be
sure that they gained a hearing
before the investigating committee.

4:30 pm - - In on 648.

Has.

Opr. - Jonesboro is calling Mr. Mc
Laughlin.

McLaughlin - Hello -

Man - Leo, this is Ed Lindsey (phonetic).
I talked to John Hilliard today -
He's got a man he wants in as
a judge - name is Charles Hammett.
Then you can have the third
starter - Can you meet Hilliard
and myself in Little Rock Wednesday.
McLaughlin - I don't know now whether
I can or not.

Lindsey - Well, I'm going to do what
I told you I would - believe
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Hoe

you can work with Hilliard ok -
I'll pay you to make a friend
out of him - but I want to
see you for a minute alone
before we three get together.

If you can't come to Little Rock,
we can come over to Hot
Springs just as easy and
meet you there.

McLaughlin - I can't say now, because
I'll have to take it up with
the "Boss" (Cella). You know I
just represent him in the legal
work and any other work that
he might ask me to do. I
don't have the authority in some-
thing like this to act alone.

Jindsey - Well, I'm going to do what
I told you I would - I'll stay
with your man. You write Cella
and let me know when to meet you.

McLaughlin - All right. -60-

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Har.

4:35 P.m. - In on 648.

Man - This is Dinkelpiel, Leo. I'll be late getting away but I'll be up there all right.

4:36 P.m. - In on 648.

Har.

Arthur Wilson - Leo, "Izzy" and I will leave after awhile - about 5:15. We can get there in time.

McLaughlin - All right. Be sure to be there.

4:37 P.m. - In on 648.

Har.

Man - Is Judge Sedgewood there?

Sedgewood - Hello -

Man - Judge, this is "Brad" Colbert.

a friend of mine - Mrs Turner - got a ticket for parking. Can you do anything about it?

Sedgewood - Yes. Bring it to The Mayor's office before nine in the morning. I'll take care of it. -61-

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4:40 P.m. - In on 648.

How -

McLaughlin - Hello.

Man - See, I have another car ready. Any particular one that you want me to call?

McLaughlin - No, not that I know. Just ask anyone that you want to take.

Man - OK - I'll take several.

4:43 P.m. - Out on 648.

Man - Called 2715.

How -

No one answered.

4:45 P.m. - out on 648.

How.

Akers - Called 1125 (- Motor Co.) Asked for Mr. Bates.

Bates - Hello.

Akers - What time do you leave there?

Bates - About 5:30.

Akers - I'll be up there. The Mayor wants you to notarize a paper for him.

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Has.

4:50 Pm. - Out on 648.

Man - Called 2715.

Woman - Hello

Man - I'm going to Little Rock with
a delegation. Wont be home
for supper.

5:00 Pm. - Out on 648.

Has.

McLaughlin - Called Operator.

Opr. - There's a call in for you.

Man - Leo, did you know that
Jim went over to Little Rock
with Scott Wood this afternoon?

McLaughlin - Yes, I knew it.

5:02 Pm. - Out on 648.

Has -

Man - Called 2987

Woman - Hello. (wife).

Man - This is "Pat". I'm going to Little
Rock with about 20 or 30 cars of
business men to a meeting.

Woman - all right. - 63-

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HAR

5:05 Pm.

Out on 648.

Hazel called 3700 (Sentinel - New Era) asked for Mr. Bob Dean, and stated that Mr. McLaughlin wished to speak to him.

McLaughlin - They're just leaving, Bob - Dean - How many?

McLaughlin - Oh, there are about 27 car loads of them; there must be around 100 to 125 people in the crowd. The thing gained momentum as it went along. You needn't say where they left from, though!

Dean - Well, they ought to go over there and let them know that someone over here has something to say.

McLaughlin - yes. Another thing is that they've been down here all today from Little Rock trying

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W.H.

to look up witnesses - yes -
See Nichols and two State Rangers.
Guess he was afraid to come
down here by himself (laughter).
We've got a girl up here now
named Betty Johnson who says
that they offered her money
to testify. She's making a
statement now and I'm send-
ing it over to you when
she finishes it. A fellow
was out to see her and
said he was an investigator
for the committee and offered
her \$50.00 to \$100.00 to testify
before the committee and
change her story. I'm not
saying whether it was see
himself that did that, but
he was in town today

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with two State Rangers. They set up headquarters at the Southend Hotel. You can check that.

Bob - all right - you say you'll send that girl's statement over here?

McLaughlin - yes. I'll send a copy over. Don't know whether you can print it - don't think so - but it will be good for you to have in your file - shows what they are trying to do. Think I'll send the committee a copy too. You might just mention that the statement was secured by the police department.

Bob - all right. What do you think about the racing situation.

McLaughlin - I think that what
(cont.)

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they did over there will really
perpetuate racing in Arkansas -
I mean that new "set-up"
with three judges and three
stewards - You might quote
me on that - as attorney
for Cella - as favoring it, will
you?

Bob - all right. There will be a
piece in the morning paper -
Is there anything else?

McLaughlin - No. That's all -

Mac.

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Hav.

5:14 P.m. In on 648.

Hazel - "Mayor's Office:

Woman - This is Mrs. Dunn
at the City Drug Store. What time
is the party leaving for Little Rock?
Mr. Vance here wants to leave
about the same time.

Hazel - They're leaving right
now.

Hav.

5:15 P.m. Out on 648

Akers - Called 666 (his res.)
Mrs. Akers - Hello -

Akers - just wanted to know
if you were home. I'll be
by after a bit.

Hav.

5:16 P.m. Out on 648

Akers - Called 3548 - No Answer.
(Akers heard to remark - "they wanted
that nigger to testify she was forced
to come to jail naked?") - 68-

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has.

5:17 Pm. — Out on 648.

Akers — Called 3700 (Sentinal - New Era)
and asked for Bob Dean - (reported)

Bob — Hello

Akers — Bob, I'm sending you
over a copy of affidavits
made by that girl (Betty Johnson)
and her mother. If you use
them say that the police
department secured them.

Also sending you a copy
of the speech that Jesse
Murphy is going to make
tonight.

Bob — OK.

Akers — you can keep your copy
of those statements in your
files — don't know yet whether
you'd better print them. Don't
mention me in connection
(cont.)

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How-

with any story about them.

Bob - OK. Nichols was in town today?

Aken - Yes. He went out to see Joe Wakelin too. Had headquarters at the Townsend Hotel. That's where these witnesses were told to go.

Bob - Well.

Aken - This delegation is leaving now for Little Rock. Why don't you get in touch with your man over there and have him take a photo of them when they get there. It ought to be impressive. at the Wallace Building

Bob - OK. Thanks. I'll see what I can do.

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Har

5:18 Pm. - In on 648.

Mar - Have they left yet?

Hazel - Leaving now.

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5.23 pm. In on 648 NPS.

man calling (appeared to be intoxicated and mumbled.
the following was understood,

" I've done a lot of things and seen a lot
of things, but I don't like this that
is going on --- I heard rumors of
them jumping on old man Dodge....
Went to talk to Bob Humerin ---
He wants to go right up there
and tell them ---

Mayor. We got an affidavit a little while
ago. They offered a girl \$50.00
to testify. They have just about
come to the end of their rope

5.30 pm. Out on 648 NPS

to 3548 (Walter Ebel)

Mayor. Walter, we just got affidavits
from a couple of women here. Do
you want to come down?

Ebel. Yes I'll be right down.

5.55pm out on 648 NPS
to 2234 (Earl Witt.)

Mayor. Hello Earl, did you hear about all
those fellows going over to Little Rock?

Witt. Yes, Mann (Anderson) was out here &
told me about it.

Mayor. 100 of them just left. Jesse Murphy
was at the head. They are all good,
sound businessmen, I think it will
do a lot of good.

Witt. It was very nice of them. I think
it will leave a very good impression
with members of the legislature.

Mayor. They said there would have been
five or six hundred of them, if they
had known about it sooner.

6.00pm In on 648 NPS.

Mail calling Hazel, are you busy?

Hazel. I don't even know where am.

Mail. Papa wanted to know the
names of some of the men

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600 pm call continued.

who went over to Little Rock.

Hazel - Just a minute (Hazel) March then.
quickly read a long list of names,
the following of which, were gotten.

Jesse Murphy

Carl Magers (Employed Community Bank?)

J. O. Langley (J. O. Langley Ins Agency)

Ed Barry (Edward S. Barry)

Raymond Clinton

Mr. Spencer (Spencer's Cigar Store?)

Albert Mendel (Albert Mendel & Co)

Frank Grant

Mr. Vance

"Rip" Freeman

Mr. Freeman

Mr. Edwards "

and several others.

Hil calling - about how many went altogether?

Hazel - Oh, about 50 (turning aside from
phone) How many went? (The
mayor was here heard to yell "100")

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Daryl - "He says it'll be about 100 by
the time they leave the city."

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9:11 am Out 648 WTM

2234 (Judge Earl Witt)

Man called and said Judge Hedgeswood would be out there in a few minutes.

Man calling and woman answering did not identify themselves.

9:30 am In 648 WTM

Some woman called reporting that some railroad safety sign had blown over. Hazel advised her to report it to the railroad.

9:31 am In 648 WTM

Mayor called in saying he had just gotten through with Dr. Turk (Dr. R.C. Turk, dentist) but did not say where he was going.

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9.49 am.

out 648

WPS

To 743. - no answer.

9.50 am

out 648.

WPS.

To 291

Hazel Marsh - Is Jimmy Davies there?

man.

no. It slipped out. It may be at
his office now.

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10:05 am

Out 648

WTM

Newspaper reporter called Bob Dean at
Newspaper office and asked for instructions.
There were none.

10:06 am

Out 648

WTM

29 (G. H. Brenner, 1017 Central)

Man (a newspaper reporter) asked the answering
party (unidentified man) if he had gotten
up that history of Mr. Cobb. The man replied
that he had not and suggested that he
see "them" about it. The answering party
also upbraided the reporter: What's all that
s--- you put in the paper about that committee
of representative citizens going to Little Rock?
That was a misrepresentation.

Reporter asked where was the misrepresentation
and the answering party explained: Well, I
thought Committee was going up there and
tell them to s--- "get off the pot, but they turned
out to be a booster for Judge Witt. Why didn't
you publish the names of that Committee?"

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The reporter said: "Maybe I will — sometime"

10:09am

In 648

WTM

Man: Fanny there?

Hazel: No. Have you tried #471 (City Health Dept.)

Man: Well I just called there and they said she was there (Mayor's office)

Hazel: Well she isn't here.

10:10am

In 648

WTM

Man called for Judge Hodgson — he was out.

10:11am

In 648

WTM

Man: Hazel I want to speak to "him".

Hazel: He is out of town and won't be down today

Man: Well, this is heck.

10:29am

In 648

WTM

Man: Hazel, this is Will. Have — bring me some water.

Hazel: Alright.

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10:28 am

Out 648

WTCM

1124 (City Fire Dept.)

Hazel ordered some water for "Will."

10:30 am

Out 648

WTCM

753

Hazel spoke to some men (names indistinct) about "Curtis, that young fellow that might need help in getting that," and said "they" are thinking about letting "Jerry" do it. The answering party said: "Who?"

Jerry Will?

Hazel: Yes, what do you think about it?

Answering Party: Tell them to call me up before they do anything.

11:20 am

In 648

WTCM

A Negro woman named Victoria Brown who lives back of the Mayor's talked to Hazel saying that "they" didn't ~~take~~ go to Little Rock since she told them that her testimony would "What a good man Mayor McLaughlin

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is. Said she: "I shd. did tell you and I want the mayor to know it."

11:31 am

No 648

WTM

Woman called for Mayor. He is out of town and will not return until tomorrow

11:35 am

No 648

WTM

Mayor McLaughlin called from Little Rock:

Mayor: I just wanted to know if you knew anything.

Hazel: No. Several fellows have been over but that is all

Mayor: Alright.

11:37 am

No 648

WTM

Mrs. Simmons called complaining about publicity she got in the papers. Note: The 2-8-37 newspaper carried a story about the mayor & after obtaining a statement from Mrs. Simmons where in she state that recently she was

approached by investigators from the
Legislative Investigation Committee.
After I paid her money to testify that
Abel had been in word with
her. During this conversation Miss
Simms assured she would "do anything
to help".

11:50 am Out 648 WTM
2399 (Mrs. Violet Lewis Bennett)
No answer

11:55 am Out 648 WTM
Hazel called County Attorney's Office and asked
for Mrs. Ludwig (phonetic). She was out.

11:56 am Out 648
177 (Bennett Tire & Battery Co.)
Hazel called to Bill and asked about his wife
who apparently is a good friend of hers.

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12.38 pm

In 648

WBS

no answer

~~(Previous)~~

1.09 pm

Out 648

WBS

Hazel requested the Western Union to
send a boy to the Mayor's office.

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12:14 pm

In 648

WTM

No answer.

(Insert)

1:44

In 648

WTM

Mr. Chitwood called and asked for Mayon.
Hazel said he was out of town and
would not return until tomorrow.
Chitwood asked her if she knew how
he could reach the mayor by phone and
she replied that she did not.

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2.32 pm. In 648 NPS
For Marion Anderson - Not in.

2.35 pm. out 648 NPS
To 618

Has asked for Marion Anderson.
"Not in now."

2.36 pm. out 648 NPS
To 2393
No answer.

2.36 pm. out 648 NPS
To 1987
Is Marion Anderson there?
"no"

2.37 pm. out 648 NPS
To 341
For Marion Anderson. Not in.

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2.37pm

out 648

To 743

Hazel Marsh. Florine (Witt?) called and said
there were 2 men out at her house and
both were "tight" and annoying
Earl. She said for you to hurry and
get them out of there.

Marion Anderson - OK.

2.38pm

out 648

To 2234 (Earl Witt)

Hazel. Florine? I got him. He is on his way
out there now.

Florine. Alright.

2.59pm

In 648

Man calling. Is Leo in?

Hazel. He won't be in until the morning.

Man. Tell him Tom Massey called.

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3.05 pm Out 648

Hazel Marsh put in call for Rep. Jas. Campbell,
House of Representatives, at Little Rock and
was advised by Operator that Campbell
was acting as speaker & could not come to phone.
Hazel then put call in for Rep. Maner.

3.07 pm

Out 648

WVS

To 777. (Black & white taxi)
Mr. Sammons (phonetic) - Can come on down to
the mayor's office & pick
me up. Just you come though.

3.15 pm

In 648

WVS

Long distance operator reported that Mr. Maner
not available now, but would be in a
few minutes.

3.20 pm

Out 648

WVS

To 743.

Hazel - Sunny, you know who that was
- 12 -

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It was Ike Carreigan and Albu Powers.
He (Sheriff Anderson) brought them in here. They
were out there and Florene didn't
know what to do. I took them
out to the Lake.

3.31 pm

In on 648

WPS

operator reported that Mr Campbell was on
the line.

Hazel Marsh.

Leo asked me to tell you about
House Bill #325, which prevents
an occupation tax of more than
\$10⁰⁰. Of course, he wants you
to go against it.

3.40 pm

In 648

WPS

Sunny Davis.

Who did you say was out there?
(at Judge Witt's home)

Hazel.

Ike Carreigan + Albu Powers.

Davis.

I was thinking that first
one (Carreigan) might be bad.

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3:44 pm

out 648

2005

To 743.

Hazel Marsh

You know, Sunny. There was someone here when you called before and I wouldn't talk.

It was just about what you say. He (Caryn) was saying how much he had, obviously so.

3:46 pm

out 648

To 613 (Sheriff's Office)

For Marion Anderson - not in.

3:49 pm

out 648

To 2234 (East West)

Hazel Marsh

I kind of wonder if that fellow was as tight as he pretended. Had you thought about it?

Woman

I thought about the same thing?

Hazel.

I sometimes wonder if I could trust my own brother. - 14 -

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3.52 p.m.

In on 648

WPS.

man named Jory asked the mayor his opinion about getting a group of people to go up to Little Rock to appear before the Legislative Investigating Committee, apparently in behalf of the City administration. The mayor did not commit himself on the idea.

3.54 p.m.

Out 648

WPS

To 600 (Mayors residence)

Hazel left a message for the mayor to call the office, when he got home

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4:15 Pm. — In on 648.

Has -

No one answered.

5:00 Pm. — In on 648

No one answered.

7:10 Pm. — In on 648.

Has.

No one answered.

Hot Springs, Arkansas
Feb. 9, 1937

MEMORANDUM FOR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE JOHN B. LITTLE:

RE: BREKID.

Attached will be found logs from the taps on telephone numbers 123 and 648, for Feb. 5, 1937 and Feb. 6, 1937, the plant being located at 207 Laurel St., Hot Springs, Arkansas.

The taps on telephones 123 and 648 were replaced by Special Agent J. M. Jones at 7:50 am. on Feb. 5, 1937, as you have been previously been informed.

The reference made by Hazel Marsh, secretary to Mayor McLaughlin, of "someone plugging in" on telephone 648 in the conversation at 9:25 am. on Feb. 5, 1937 over 648 probably refers to some person located at the City Health Department which has an extension phone on this same number plugging on the line. Her statement apparently has no reference, possible "tapping" of telephone number 648, and apparently she has no suspicion that this telephone is ~~being~~ tapped.

Respectfully submitted,

D. P. Sullivan
D. P. Sullivan,
Special Agent.

Top on #123 (Police Dep)
Hot Springs, Ark.
Plant at 207-Lourel.

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12:02 Am. - In on 123. Has

Man - Who asked where Wilham (or Wilhelm)
lives?

Davis - I did -

Man - He lives near School & Davis St.
I took him out the other day -

12:05 Am. - In on 123.

Paul Hardy - There's an ambulance call
on Hwy #70 near Hot Springs Tourist
Court. One girl hurt.

Officer - Thanks - Has

12:06 Am. - Out on 123.

Officer - Called 613 (Shimp) and informed
of auto wreck on Hwy #70 -

2:30 Am. - In on 123

Man - Send the car to the Baby
Elephant Cafe right away -

Corrington - All right - @ Has

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8:17 am

Mr 123

WTM

Akers called and Roger answers

Akers: Did you get Walter last night? Did he get those pictures out?

Roger: Yes, Dutch, he looked high and low but he couldn't find them.

Akers: Well I'll be down there in a few minutes.

Roger: Walter is here now —

Akers: Where up stairs?

Roger: No here he is down here.

Akers: Let me speak to him. (Water Wilhelms Ident. office)

Akers: (to Walter) Couldn't you find any index cards at all on these girls?

Walter: No, I couldn't find one on Iva Lee Johnson.

(Note: From the conversation it appears that "Walter" is the identification officer. The newspaper of the Morning of 2-6-37 informs that Iva Lee Johnson is an inmate of the State Reformatory testified the night previous before a legislative investigating Committee about immorality of Hot Springs Police.)

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8:55 am

Out 123

WTH

1987 (C.), Spencer Cigar Store

Carrington called there for Herbert Akers but he was not there.

8:56 am

Out 123

WTH

291 (Hot Springs Confectionery)

Officer Carrington called Herbert Akers there and told him the Mayor wanted him in his office immediately.

9:05

In 123

WTH

From Mayor's Office inquiring if "Curley" had gotten in and ordering Mrs. Warrington (Police Station) up to the Mayor's Office.

9:15 am

Out 123

WTH

3898 (listed to F. Carrington, Signs, 314 Market)

Carrington talked to a man he called Forrest and inquired how he was feeling, urging him to keep up his treatment. Forrest said he was better.

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9:16 am

Out 123

WTTM

Corington called in information asking for the number of Smiths Drug Store in Hoboken. Operator furnished the number 55.

9:17 am

Out 123

WTTM

3675 (listed to D. B. Morrey - professional Bonds man)

Man: Is Raymond there?

Woman: No sir.

Man: Well, when he comes in tell him everything is alright.

Woman: Alright.

10:55 am

In 123

WTTM

Woman from County Agents' Office talked to Geo. Young advising they had a check up there for Mr. R. H. Hixon and would be please come for it. The woman stated that it was understood that R. H. Hixon is a relative of Young. Young said he would come for the check.

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10:14am

Out 123

WTH

184 (City Clerk's office)

Man: (Judges or Jack - indistinct), that boy said he could get you \$5.00 by 4 this evening.

answering Party: well, tell him if he don't get it he goes back to jail.

Man: well, I tell you - I'll give him a good scolding - tell him if he don't get it we'll pick him up again tonight - you'd better speak to Tucker about it. He's here now.

answering Party repeats former instructions

10:17am

Out 123

WTH

184 (City Clerk's office)

Tucker called and spoke to "Jackson" (Eugene Jackson, City Clerk) about above call

when the conversation was substantially

repeated. The prisoner's name was not

mentioned. Tucker explained this second call

due to the fact he was afraid he didn't get the first call ^{correct.} ~~called~~

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10:20 am

Det 123

WTR

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A man, apparently a Negro called this number asking for Mr. Gentry and a woman answered saying Gentry was busy. Calling party stated he had been fined \$30.00 (Charge not stated) and wanted Gentry to come get him.

10:25 am

Det 123

WTR

Man called for Ahern and was informed that Ahern was home sick.

10:30 am

Det 123

WTR

3574

Officer ordered 4 dinners

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10:40 am

Out 123

WTM

1696 (Chief Rosberry)

Watkins: Mrs. Wakelin, how is the Chief this morning?

Answering woman: (Indignant) you want
Me to knock your head off?

Watkins: What number is this?

Woman: 1696^(Per. Weldon Rosberry) - Who are you?

Watkins: This is Jerry Watkins at the
police station.

Woman: (laughs) This is Mrs. Rosberry - I didn't
mean to talk like that but they have been
kidding me about that.

Watkins: (laughs) Oh! It was my mistake -
I got the wrong number off of this sheet.
I tell you, I ~~was~~ sending two men up
there. You need any brushes?

- Mrs. Rosberry: Who are they? What kind of
brushes?

Watkins: Puller brushes! (laughs)

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10:45 am

Out 123

WTR

1723 (Chief Wakelin)

Watkins talked to Mrs. Wakelin asking how the Chief was and that he was planning to come up there. Mrs. Wakelin said the Chief was sitting up in the dining room.

10:46 am

In 123

WTR

Man called for Akers and was informed Akers was up stairs and would soon be back.

10:50 am

In 123

WTR

Mrs. L. W. Thompson, 405 Hobson, called and complained to Chief Roebury that her neighbor's children were giving her trouble. The Chief could give her no help. The woman said: "I talk to the law a good bit - they are my friends" She was sobbing during her conversation.

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~~11:01 am~~ 11:01 am

In 123

WTH

Man called for Akers and was told
Akers was out. Man said have Akers
call 341 (Citizens Ligar Store)

11:02 am

In 123

WTH

Mrs. Tompkins called again about her
neighbor's children - and with negative
results. Talked to Garnett Moore

11:15 am

In 123

WTH

Officer Monroe Young called in at #201

11:16 am

In 123

WTH

Man called for Marion Anderson's office
and was referred to Shepp's office

11:30 am

In 123

WTH

Woman called for Akers. She was informed
that he was upstairs and would be back in
a few minutes.

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11:45 am

In 123

WTM

Mr. Burke from Burke's Garage talked to chief about a no parking sign in front of his gasline pump. Chief told him to come up and talk about it.

12:00

In 123

WTM

Man calling from pay station called for Akers. He was told Akers was up stairs.

12:01 pm

In 123

WTM

Officer Fowler calling in from #458

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12.23 pm In on 123.

WPS

for Dutch abuse - at Mayor's office - #648.

12.32 pm In on 123.

WPS

for abuse - He's in the Mayor's office

12.39 pm Out on 123 to 648

WPS

Cecil Brock. - Did Arch (Arch Cooper, dismissed Police Captain) explain to you about that boy, that last boy? He wants to make a statement about "them" bruises on the arm of that boy on that last arrest. He wants to explain that he made the arrest.

Dutch. OK. I'll see you later.

1.21 pm Out on 123 to 285 (City Dwy)

WPS

ordered a sandwich etc. for lunch

1.34 pm In on 123

WPS

Are you holding Grant Scott?

P.W. What's your name? (D)

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man "Pud"

P.W. where do you live?

Pud. 529 E Grand St.

P.W. No we don't have Grant St.

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1:50 pm

In 123

WTH

Man asked for "Butch" (Akers) and when told Akers was out, he asked: "Where is the Mayor's Office?" Reply: "I guess so."

2:08 pm

In 123

WTH

Man called and asked that Officer come to front of "B — (undistinct) Smith's place and get a drunk negro."

2:10 pm

In 128

WTH

Officer Toole called in from #458

2:11 pm

Out 128

WTH

3700 (Hot Springs Sentinel-Record)

Man asked for Mr. Connelly (Phonetic) He was not there.

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2:16 pm

In 123

2022

Officer Monroe Young calling in at #33

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2:55 P.m. - In on 123.

Fowler - Reported at 458.

Has-

3:05 P.m. - Art on 123.

Man (col) - Called 420 (Basham Motor Co.)
Informed Mrs. Basham that his wife
had him arrested and requested
her to make his bond.

Mrs. Basham - Let me speak to the jailor
Corrington - Hello.

Mrs. Basham - What'd he do?

Corrington - His wife had him arrested
for disturbing the peace.

Mrs. Basham - Send his bond up here.
I'll sign it.

Has

3:20 P.m. - In on 123.

Man (col) - Is a colored boy named
Frog in jail?

Corrington - Yes, he is.

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3:45 P.m. - In on 123.

Girl - Is "Dutch" there?

Akers - Hello.

Girl - This is Phyllis. How are you getting along?

Akers - Was in bed with the "flu" all day yesterday. Where are you?

Girl - I'm at same place - 212-3rd St.

Am leaving in a day or so.

Akers - I'll try to get up and see you before you do.

Has.

(10)

123

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3:47 pm. Out on 123 to 1992

WFS

Alex: What was that Dago's name who gave you so much trouble with the girls. Did he take that girl away with him?

(Ada Jensen?)

Seda: Oh yes. She wrote to me all the time she was away.

Alex: I saw him on the street with another girl. Has he checked in yet.

Seda: No

Alex: What is his name?

Seda: I don't know, but I have it on a business card. I'll look it up.

Alex: Do that and call me right back.

3:50 pm In on 123. Asked for Mayor's office, #648

WFS

4:01 pm In on 123

WFS

Fowler at 458

4:05 pm.

In on 123.

WFS

Man: This is Harry. I'd like to see you.

Alex: Where are you?

(D)

123

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Harry - up at the Kentucky Club. I'll see you in front of the Waukesha Hotel.
Note. Agent Snow proceeded to the vicinity of the Waukesha Hotel, where he noticed a man about 45 or 50 years of age, about 5'10". Heavy set - Fair complexion with a dark Brown hat & overcoat, walking up and down as though expecting someone. Ahern was not seen but this man, probably identical with "Harry" or "Big Harry" went into the Southern Club where he probably met Ahern. "Big Harry" frequently contacts Ahern & probably is an informant. He hangs out at the Kentucky Club and probably works lives at the Waukesha Hotel.

4:09 Pm On on 123 WPS
man calling. Geo this "Tally" (phonetic). Got a car down there

Geo Young - Yes

Tally - I'll meet you at the corner of 17th + Hobson. (18)

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4.15 pm. On on 123.

NPS.

Woman (Teda) ^(Jeda Samu) called for Akus - out

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5:02 pm

In 123

WTM

Man giving name "Clavel James down at the barn" asked Chief Roebury if Buster (?) had been released. He has him there at the barn and will bring him up (probably a treaty whose time is expiring). Chief Roebury told him to call Tucker about it when Tucker came in.

5:05 pm

In 123

WTM

Officer Munro Young called to the Chief Roebury "about that Dodge parked on the street" saying he has put five tags (Traffic) on it and the owner never appears in court; that he has put another tag on the car and watched for the owner to come for it but he hasn't come. Roebury ordered him to have the car pulled in.

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5:06 pm

In 123

WTM

Woman called for police to come
to 433 Haines Ave. to get a drunk.

5:15 pm

In 123

WTM

Woman asked if Jack McJunkins was
there. He was not.

5:18 pm

In 123

WTM

Cecile Brock talked to Morris young asking
to send some one there to get a drunk who
had fallen and busted his nose

5:20 pm

In 123

WTM

Woman called to ask Chief Rorberry ~~to find~~
if it was alright to run an electric
violin in the city on Sunday. She was
told to call later and speak to the Chief when
he comes back to the office.

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5:28 pm

Out 123

WTC

A prisoner giving name Claude spoke
to (Indistinct) & was bound him out until
Monday.

5:30 pm

Out 123

WTC

580 (St. Joseph's Infirmary)

A man giving name of Mr. Keel or Kase called
and ordered a nurse: "500 cc of 10% glucose
for Mr. O'Keel in room 402"

5:45 pm

In 123

WTC

Mrs. Mahaffey called for the chief - he was
out.

5:46 pm

In 123

WTC

Man giving name "George" (probably Young)
said he had a drunk back of Spencer.

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Har-

6:55 Pm. - In on 123.

L.D. Opr. - Call from Little Rock for Mr. Fowler.

Fowler - Hello -

Woman - (Fowler's daughter) conversed at length relative to family matters. Advised that her husband Joe had been very ill for past week.

7:10 Pm. - Out on 123.

Har-

Evans - called 1298 (Camp Dixie)

Gladys - Hello -

Evans - Jack Fields in jail - asked me to call you and ask you to come to see him - Don't know why

Gladys - What's he in jail for?

Evans - Don't know exactly - I didn't arrest him and Chief won't let us to meddle with each other's cases. Heard he beat up a girl -

Gladys - I'll try to get over tomorrow -

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Has

7:15 P.m. - In on 123.

Watkins - Hello.

Akers - Anything doing?

Watkins - No. Not at present.

Akers - I'm over on the street.

7:23 P.m. - In on 123

Dick Swain - (at 807 Pleasant St) Complained
of Thief taking his neighbor's milk.
Requested officer watch the neighbor-
hood

Has

7:35 P.m. - Out on 123.

Corrington - Asked Operator what number
was calling the jail phone, #446.

Op. - #269 is talking to #446.

Corrington - Inquired the subscriber's name
for #269.

Op. - The Esso Service Station, Park & Helly

Corrington - Ring #269

Op. - They don't answer now

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Hds.

7:50 P.m. - In on 123.

Man - Is Rogers there?

Fowler - Not until nine o'clock.

Man - This is Walter Wilham. Heard they wanted me. I'll be out at my father's house if Rogers wants me.

7:55 P.m. - In on 123.

Man - Is "Dutch" or "Swede" there?

Fowler - No. They're both out.

Man - I'll call later.

NOTE

Hds.

7:56 P.m. - In on 123.

Rasberry - Hello.

Reed Farmer - (at Kingsway Garage) Informed Rasberry that Dr. Farleton had a ticket for double parking or over time in front of his office bldg. Ticket given by Monroe Young. "Can you get it taken care of?"

Rasberry - OK. Send the ticket down here. (25)

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Has

8:05 P.m. - In on 123.

Woman - Is Bradley there?

Fowler - Not in until 9:00 P.m.

8:15 P.m. - Out on 123.

Officer - Called 2815 (res. - Jerry Watkins)

Cara - (wife) Hello -

Watkins - carried on domestic conversation.

Has

8:30 P.m. - In on 123

Woman - Complained of disturbance to residents in neighborhood of the Midway Bar. Requested officer to do something about it or close up the Midway - Had complained on previous occasions.

8:32 - In on 123.

Woman - Is Mr. Akers in?

Has

Tucker - He's not here now.

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Har.

8:43 P.m. - In on 123.

Man - Asked for "Dutch" or "Swede"

Tucker - They're both out.

Man - Tell Dutch to call Joe Heman
at the Eastman Hotel, when he comes
in.

Har.

8:45 P.m. - In on 123.

Man - Is Cleve Johnson in jail?

Tucker - No, he's not.

8:50 P.m. - In on 123.

G. Moore - Is Chief Rasberry there?

Rasberry - Hello.

G. Moore - Dutch says for you to come
over to the H.S. Confectionary -

Rasberry - All right, but we need the
keys to the fingerprint room to get
the typewriter out.

Moore - Too much noise. Can't hear you.

Rasberry - OK I'll be over.

ED

Har.

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H.H.

9:00 P.M. - In on 123.

Woman - (at Western Union) Inquired the address of Douglas Westbrook (col).

Mucker - They say he lives at 140 High St.

9:02 P.M. - In on 123.

H.H.

Man - Is Rogers there?

Rogers - Hello.

Man - This is Lewis, at Broadway Hotel.

Carns came back in tonight and started to cause trouble. The guests know he was sentenced to 90 days and might reflect on you fellows if he doesn't stop it or leave town. Should I turn him over to the county?

Rogers - Call me if he causes any more trouble there.

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9:10 P.m. — In on 123. H.H.

Brock — Joe Herman had called there for Dutch to call him at the Eastman, but tell him I'm there now and we're taking care of it all right.

Evans — OK.

9:15 P.m. — In on 123.

Sally Higgins — (from Emmett, Ark.) Inquired of Fowler whether she had been credited with \$3.00 in insurance premiums before he started working for police dept.

Fowler — Yes. Send your money direct to Little Rock now, at the Interstate Insurance Co.

H.H.

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9:20 P.m. - In on 123. H.H.

Akers - Is Chief there?

Rasberry - Hello -

Akers - Get through taking that statement yet?

Rasberry - Not yet - Taking it now.

Akers - When you get through, put a copy in your pocket and come over here -

Rasberry - OK -

(probably refers to statement of police denying allegations by girls before legislative committee)

9:22 P.m. - In on 123.

Norman - Send Officers to 515 Prospect Street - Cellar was broken in to.

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9:45 P.m. - out #123.

2400-

Elbel (reporter) - Called long distance collect to Little Rock (T.O. #148) (newspaper) and reported that judge Witt had disqualified himself in the trial of police officers in Dickson. He invited judge A.P. Steele, of Ashdown, Ark., to serve as trial judge. Also reported news item that Chief Koshery welcomed any investigation of jail conditions since he has been in office. Advised also, but not for publication, that a man named Fields said he lived with the girl Eva Lee Johnson for several months and contracted a disease from her.

9:50 P.m. - in on 123.

2400

Dave Johnson (col) advised that the man who had stolen his suit was now at 163 South Border St. (31)

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10:04 P.m. - In on 123.

Man - Is Akua there?

Officer - No. Not now.

Man - This is Clinton (phonetic) Tell him I'll bring in that counterfeit half dollar for him to see.

11:00 P.m. - In on 123.

Woman - (Dr. Sumpter?) Have you picked up two girls off the street tonight - Ethel Thomas and Dorothy Moore?

Corington - No. Not on docket.

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Tap on #648 (Mayor)
Hot Springs, Ark
Plant at 207. Laurel.

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Hss.

8:35 AM - In on 648

Man - Mayor McLaughlin in?

Hazel - No! Not until nine o'clock.

Man - Judge Ledgerwood?

Hazel - He'll be here just before court.
Might catch him at home now.

Man - Thanks.

Hss.

8:42 AM - Out on 648

Hazel - Called 446 (City Jail). Asked
for "Dutch" or "Curly".

Officer - Neither one is here now.

Hazel - Tell either one to come
up to the Mayor's office when
they come in.

8:50 AM - In on 648.

Hss.

Hazel - Mayor's Office

Man - This is Ervin Smith - I
called trying to locate Judge
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Ledgerwood. Please tell him that I was supposed to appear in court at 9:00 Am., but I run the freight elevator at the Arlington and can't get off. I'll see him this afternoon.

Hazel - All right. What were you arrested for?

Smith - I don't know. He can look it up and I'll square things up when I get off.

8:53 Am. - Out on 648

Hae.

Woman - Called 3611 (Kingway Garage)
Asked for Farmer.

Clerk - He's not here. Works is here.
Works - Hello -

Woman - This is Pauline. That fellow will be down in Police Court, so will you send that boy down there who know about it?

Works - Sure will. (2)

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8:55 Am - In on 648.

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Hazel - Mayor's office -

Woman - This is Mary Cain (King, & Campbell). Could I see him sometime this morning if I came down? Hate to bother Geo, but I feel that I should see him.

Hazel - Well, he's mighty busy, but if you come down I'll see to it that you see him.

Mary - Thanks, honey, I'll be down at 9:30.

8:56 Am. - In on 648.

Hav.

Woman - Is Judge Ledgerwood in?

Hazel - No! Not yet.

Woman - Tell him to call 3543 when he gets in.

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9:00 Am. - Out on 648

Ledgerwood - Called 3543-

Has.

Woman - Hello.

Ledgerwood - Did you want me?

Woman - Guess I did it again, Judge.

Ledgerwood - What, parking?

Woman - Yes. Guess I parked too long - Got a ticket.

Ledgerwood - That's all right. We'll look after it. About a hundred got them yesterday.

Woman - Thank you, Judge -

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9:02 Am. - In on 648.

Has.

Ledgerwood - Hello.

Charlie - Judge I have a couple of parking tickets that two friends of mine got - One of them Mrs McCann (phonetic) got and another Sam got.

Ledgerwood - All right. I'll look after

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9:05 Am. - out on 648.

Hazel - Called 446 (City Jail) Asked
if "Dutch" had come in yet.
Carrington - No he hasn't come down
yet.

Hazel - Tell him to call the Mayor's
office as soon as he comes in.
Carrington - I will, madam.

9:10 Am. - out on 648.

Akers - Called 123 (Police Dept.) Asked
whether "Curly" had come in yet.

Rogers - No.

Akers - Have Mrs Warrington come up
to the Mayor's office right away -
(Mrs. Warrington is police station).

9:12 Am. - out on 648.

Akers - Called 1323 (U.S. Govt Free Bath House,
Inquired if Dr. Winegar was there.

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Clerk - No. He has been transferred to Saint Louis - at the Federal Bldg there.

Akers - Thanks.

(Dr. Winegar is probably Dr. E. F. Winegar,

9:14 Am. - out on 678.

Akers - Called 152 (U.S. Park Police)

Asked for Chief Pritchard.

Pritchard - Hello.

Akers - Chief can you get me a record of the physical examinations of three girls at the clinic for a period of 5 or 6 years back - showing that they had venereal diseases. The names are: -

Billy Blair, Roxy Parker, and Eva Lee Johnson.

Pritchard - The doctors at the Hospital (govt.) are pretty particular

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about giving out that kind of information. Would suggest that your best bet would be to have Dr. Merritt (city physician) get them for you. Have him see Dr. Norris. I doubt whether I could get them for you.

Akers - Thanks.

(Note: Press releases from Little Rock reflect the three girls referred to have appeared before the investigating committee and made charges of immoral conduct by members of the Hot Springs Police Dept. Dr. Norris is probably Dr. E. W. Norris, employed at U.S. Govt Hospital.)
(Immediately after Akers hung up, Chief Rickard heard to call 1323, U.S. Govt. Bath House)

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9:16 Am. - Out on 648.

Akers - Called 1402 (res - Cecil Brock)

Brock - Hello.

Akers - Get up and dress. I'm
sending a car for you.

Brock - all right.

9:15 Am. - Out on 648.

Akers - Called 446 (city jail). Asked
for Chief Kaskerry.

Corrington - He's gone upstairs. Monroe
Young is here.

Mr. Young - Hello.

Akers - Do you know where Cecil
Brock lives - just off Park Ave.?

Young - No, I don't.

Akers - all right. Thanks.

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9:20 Am. - Out on 648.

Hazel - Called 1124 (Fire Dept.)

Man - Hello -

Hazel - Is Elmer down there?

Man - Yes.

Hazel - Have him come to the
Mayor's office right away -

(Elmer is probably the janitor)

9:30 Am. - In on 648.

Man - (with foreign accent) Is Les Mc-
Laughlin there?

McLaughlin - Hello.

Man - Want to tell you something -
traffic is handled better now.
Wanted to tell you this because
I usually don't tell you any-
thing good.

McLaughlin - Thanks.

Has.

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9:32 Am. - In on 648.

Has

Man - Is the "Boss" there?

McLaughlin - Hello.

Man - Yes, did you talk to "Charlie"?

McLaughlin - Yes. I think that everything worked out all right over there (Little Rock).

Man - I've been telling you that all along. You've had too many rumors of a crooked track here - something had to be done to overcome them.

McLaughlin - Yes. We got ask for a judge and they got Sanford but Sanford is also a close friend of mine. They're going to pick the third judge. They put up that old argument that they did last year again. Bill Hamilton for "starter", but

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Has

I told Charlie that they have confidence in Bill here. Bill said that Cella had agreed to let White do the starting
Man - Its all right, Leo.
McLaughlin - I believe that what they did yesterday will perpetuate racing in Arkansas.

9:38 Am. - In on 648.

Man (Judge Ledgerwood?) - Hazel have some water sent over -

Has

9:39 Am. - Out on 648.

Hazel - Called 1124.

Man - Fire Dept.

Hazel - Have Elmer come to the Mayors office -

Has,

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9:40 Am. - In on 648.

Man - Is Mayor McLaughlin there?

McLaughlin - Hello.

Man - This is Miford Sanders. If you are not too busy, would like to talk to you this morning.

McLaughlin - What about?

Sanders - About what I was talking to you the other day - going to work on the police force.

McLaughlin - I don't know now. Wait until I get things straightened out. Keep in touch with me.

9:45 Am. - In on 648.

Man - Is Mr. McLaughlin there?

McLaughlin - Hello.

Man - This is Colbert, Leo - just wanted to tell you that we're all behind you out here. You're
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the biggest man in town: You've
got friends out here who would
battle for you - if it wasn't
for grand jury investigation -
they'd go to war for you.
McLaughlin - Thanks for calling -
Hae.

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10⁰⁰ am. Out on 648 to 743 (Judge Ledgerwood). No answer. ^{NPS}

10⁰⁰ am. Out on 648 to 291 - ^(Hot Springs Confectionery) No answer. ^{NPS}

10.01 am. Out on 648 to 415

Hazel - Is Sunny Davis there? ^{NPS}

Woman - No, He hasn't been here this morning.

10.01 am. Out on 648 to 291 - Line Busy. ^{NPS}

10.03 am. Out on 648 to 291 - ^{NPS}

Hazel - Eva. Is Sunny there?

Eva - No, He hasn't been here

10.03 pm Out on 648 ^{NPS}

Hazel asked information for no. of Clarence Wilson's
Toren on the Arkadelphia Rd. It is 2356

10.04 am. Out on 648 to 2352 (Clarence Wilson's Toren) ^{NPS}

Hazel asked for Mr. Wilson, not there. Hazel then asked girl at
phone if she could see Mr. Davis car parked out there. Girl said
no and Hazel left message for Davis to call Mayor's office
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in case he comes in

10.14 am. Out on 648 to 613. (Sheriff's office)

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Man calling - Anything doing?
Man answering. No, not a thing.

10.15 am. In on 648

OPS

Sunny Davis. - Hello, did you want me darling.

Hazel. - Yes. He said if you are not too busy to
come over.

Sunny. I'll be over in about 5 or 10 minutes

10.25 am In on 648

OPS

Tom Macey. Is the Mayor there?

Hazel. - yes, but he is very busy

Tom - He told me to call him in 3 or 4 days

Hazel. - well, you call back in about 30 minutes

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10:58 am

In 648

WTRM

Man giving name Tom Massey spoke to the mayor about work he had been promised. The mayor explained that he was busy and asked Massey to call him in two or three days. Massey put up a desperate plea and assured the mayor: "You know I am for you first and last."

11:00 am

Out 648

WTRM

446

Hazel March talked to George Young asking him to find out how long Tucker had lived in Hot Springs and wanted this information immediately. Young told her Tucker was temporarily out and further informed her that Tucker had not lived in Hot Springs all of his life and came here from some place (unknown to young) in Illinois.

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11:03 am

In 648

WTTM

(long distance call from Little Rock)

Walsh: This is (Ted or Tom - indistinct) Walsh -

I guess you saw your New Era yesterday.

I think the boys will quit next week

Mayors: Yes. What is the reaction to those whose testimony?

Walsh: They feel that if that is the best they can do they had better quit.

Mayors: Well, you see, we are now getting up their records.

Walsh: Well you needn't do that. I was talking to a legislator yesterday and he told me Nichols that if they were depending on the evidence of those girls, they would not get any where.

Mayors: Well I figured it would all peter out.

(Walsh: I talked to the Commercial Appeal (Memphis, Tenn. newspaper) and they felt the same. I didn't even go down there last night - to show how little I thought of it. You need not worry. One thing - you got the newspaper boys behind

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Ym. I thought I would call you
up to let you know.

Mayor: Well thank you. I sure appreciate it.

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11.24 am. In on 648

LVS

man. This is Reed

Hazel. He, said, what about you coming down here?
Reed - What's the best time?

Hazel. Right away.

11.25 pm In on 648

LVS

woman. Miss Fannie (McLaughlin) take this.

Roxie Parker. She was in here on 5/25/36. Her

Test showed 4 plus syphilis on the Wasserman
4 plus on "con".

She didn't have any treatments here. Mrs. Warrington
(Jail Warden) requested blood test. We made that.

Fannie, this is given to the City Health

Dept. I don't care what you do with it,

but I couldn't give it to the Police Dept.

Ivy Lee Johnson was here on 12/22/37. Her

blood test showed negative. Her slide was

negative, but she was menstruating at the time

she said she had a lesion on 12/10/35. I

can't find anything else on her.

Billie Blair, she used the name of

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Liddie May Blair. I couldn't find anything, but I am checking the old files in the storeroom under name of Betty Blair, that's her right name

11.30 am. On on 648 for Fannie McLaughlin. Mrs. Mr. Hendricks. About that boy to go to the Hospital.

Fannie. Have Mr. Thompson call Mrs. Kennedy to get that boy in the hospital.

11.31 am. Out on 648 to 725 (Corns Hotel)

Judge Ledgerwood - Room 420 please.

Operator - no answer

Judge T. If Mrs. Ledgerwood comes in, tell her to call me at the Mayor's office.

11.35 am. On on 648

MRS

Woman calling. Liddie May Blair was in first on 4/23/31. She had both syphilis and gonorrhea. She only took one shot and then went A.W.O.L. She was in again on 2/20/35. She stated

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that while she was away she took
28 Neos (Salvarsan) and 20 bismuths. An old
case of syphilis, the gonorrhea was OK.

One trial on 12/21/31 shows negative on
gonorrhea, the cell count was 2. The average
is 5. Probably by now she would be
neuro-syphilis if a test was given her.
That's a suggestion for you.

Joy Lee Johnson has had 5 tests
taken since 5/35. All show negative.

On 7/8/35 she showed chronic (word not gotten)
and refused for treatment.

11.37 am. On on 648

WVS

Bess Lidenwood - Is the Judge there

Judge " " Hello.

Bess When do you want me to get you
Judge L. Come on over to the city hall now and
get me.

11:40 am. On on 648

WVS

Man asked for Ernest Mann. Not here
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11.41 a.m. In on 648

WPS.

Nick Ryan - How long are you going to be there?

Kelly wanted to see you.

Judge Hedgewood. I am leaving right now to go out in the country. Tell him I'll see him Monday morning.

11.42 a.m. In on 648

WPS

Mayor. Hello

man calling. This is Guy Buchanan. I was down talking with some of the boys on the Avenue and met "Babe" Smith. He said they

- are very sore about our administration and they are going to throw Witt out.

Mayor Who told him about it?

Buchanan. He was up to Little Rock.

Mayor. We know all about it, there is nothing to it.

11.46 a.m. In on 648

WPS

Miss Cunningham. Did somebody call you about Willie?

Jannie. Yes, they have been calling me all morning.
Dr. Thompson is handling it, I have
never seen him, call Dr. Gray and
have him X-rayed.
Miss Carington. Thank you

11:15 Am. In on 648 WPS.
Mrs. Sargo. This is Mrs. Sargo at Key Springs.
I need some help this morning.
Hazel - Well Miss McLaughlin is not here and
I don't know where you'll find her
Mrs. Sargo. alright then

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12:19 pm. In on 648 WPS
man - This is John Lovett. I want to see your
Mayor. I can't see you now. Call me Monday
or Tuesday

12:21 pm out on 648 to 666 (Akuska) WPS
Akus - I won't be home until later.
Mrs. Akus. alright.

12:24 pm. In on 648 WPS
Woman - Is Mr. Akus there?
Akusophone. Hello.
Woman. This is Mrs. George calling was Mr
Merritt in?

Akus no
Mrs. George. Tell him my sister has a new baby
she is doing fine
Akus. I'll do that.

12:25 pm out on 648 to 3400 WPS
Dutch Akus - Is Mr. Wallace there?
Wallace - Hello

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abus - I read of our friend's statement in the paper this morning. I wonder what happened to that stuff? Do you want me to go back to my informant to find out?

Mr Wallace. I will have a statement for the newspaper today, replying to that article from Mr. Pennington. I'll read it to you (substantially quoted) "The reason that Mr. Pennington's services were dispensed with by the Majestic Hotel could not possibly have been the reason given by him as the writer himself was active in the support of Mr. Bailey. Mr. Pennington was dismissed for an entirely different reason."
Get a hold of some information to find out whether we can find any of that stuff.

abus. alright.

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12.29 pm Out on 648 to 2234 (Earl Witt) 1915

Mayor McLaughlin. Hello, this is Leo.

was Witt. Do you want to speak with Earl?

Witt to phone. Hello, I see where I am being investigated.

Mayor. I found out that they found you were scouting around a bit, drinking and betting a bit, but then they started to investigate me, but I am not worried about it, of course, that preacher (Rep Lee Meliole) will write his report, but the House (House of Representatives) is in good shape. There is nothing to worry about and I know it now.

12.42 pm out on 648 to 123 1913

Alva. Go in there and ask Jackie Fields

when he had that fight with ^{my} Alva Lee

Johnson and also where did it happen.

Jackie. He says it was the night before she

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was arrested at the Courthouse Bldg.

He said there was no fight to it. He
just knocked her down and "stomped"
the devil out of her.

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to testify

12.51pm. out on 648 to 3700

WPS

(Mayor calling the Sentinel Record New Era newspaper)

Mayor - Is Mr. Hargis or Mr. Dean there?

Deanophone - Hello.

Mayor. Those boys have been around here.

Jucker & Corrington made statements.

Dean. old man Corrington wouldn't hurt anybody.

Mayor. Curly Evans made a statement too. We have a Federal prisoner here who says he whipped that girl the day before she was arrested. Dutch looked up those girls records. We've got it all here. I'll send it over. It's too late for today's paper, so put it in the morning paper.

12.53pm. out on 648 to 2399

WPS

Hazel in general conversation with girl friend, Violet.

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was arrested at the Courthouse Bar. He said there was no fight to it. He just knuckled her down and "stomped" the devil out of her.

1.07 PM. out on 648

OPS

(The mayor called the Sentinel Record-New Era) mayor. On the end of the statement of Curley Evans I want you to add this. He just told me that Jackie Fields, a Federal prisoner said that the wrist watch she says was taken from her by officers, was given to her by Jackie and that the night before she was arrested he whipped her because she gave him a venereal disease and he took the watch away from her. That's where she got those bruises from. What else do you know?

Bob. They are going to wind up next week. You know that burned me up, about all those business men being afraid to testify.

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1.46 pm out on 648 to 2234 (Earl Witt) WVS

Judge Witt. Hello

Mayor. I am going riding this afternoon.
We are in nice shape. Pat Walsh,
reporter for the United Press talked
with me today. He said all those
reporters say there is nothing
to it all. He is going to see
Lee (Rep. Lee Nichols) and ask him
where is all that stuff he had
on that Judge (Earl Witt) up
there.

1.47 pm. out on 648 to 184 WVS

Mayor. Is Emmett (Jackson) there?

Jackson to phone. Hello,

Mayor. Don't send that thing over until
Monday morning.

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1.40 p.m. In on 648

WPS

Long distance call from St Louis. Mo.
man probably Charles Cella. - In regards to those

two other appointees I would like to
have George Palmer out there, maybe
we can name George B. Ray of
Beechville Ark, Mississippi County.

Highfill says his brother worked
for Governor Bailey at one time.

The Governor will probably go for
him, maybe we can work it
through Hamilton. Do you know
anything about Ray.

Mayor. No, I have heard of him, but you are
the boss. It's your money, but
Ed Landis will have the naming of
one and Hamilton the other, but I
wouldn't name anyone who wouldn't
suit me.

man. I think Hamilton will be with us.

Mayor. Yeah, no doubt, I already talked with
him. I have known him for 30 years.

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Mayor (continued) - I'll tell you what all this talk is going to do. It will perpetuate racism in Arkansas. All that talk about you will help us.

man - How are they treating you?

Mayor - They are still digging around, but the whole thing is petering out, we are in good shape.

man - I read in the papers that two of your opponents were negro preachers.

Leo - No, I put that in.

man - Well, anything I can do for you let me know.

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2:00 pm

In 648

Wm

long distance operator from Little Rock
attempted to place call there - no answer -
told Hot Springs operator to try #600 (This
is mayor's residence phone)

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7:56 am

In 123

WTM

Man: Got a man in jail named Kaye
or Parks?

Answering Officer: Yes got a man named
Kaye (spelled it). Picked him up last
night on Central Ave. - a drunk.

8:18 am

In 123

WTM

Man 613 (Shirley's Office)

Man: Roy, how did ~~he~~ ^{he} get out of jail

Roy: Well he has a badly infected leg
and the doctor said he might lose
it so judge let him out on his
own bond.

Man: Well we got him in jail again -
last night

8:28 am

In 123

WTM

Man called for Akers giving name (George
Belding) & Phonetic) and asked when
"that request will be held". Akers informed
that he told Mr. Randolph to put it off

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until Sunday as "that man from
Louisiana" can't get here until
Monday.

8:30am Out 123 WTN
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calling party, hung up before answering
party answered.

8:32am Out 123 WTN
2737

Hung up before connection made.

8:37am In 123 WTN

Drunk woman called in saying she
was at (Core's place) (phonetic) ^{on 270 highway} and wanted
"the law" out there right away. She was
told to call the Sheriff

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8:45am Oct 123 WTM.

2737 (store from kind)

Man calling up, shopping for a "Spikes" razor. Answering party said he had never heard of it.

8:50am Oct 123 WTM.

1725 (Mr. Randolph)

Akers called Mr. Randolph to get him to postpone the inquest over death of "little child that was burned."

8:51am Oct 123 WTM

159 (linked to Mr. Howell Brewer)

Akers: Mr. B. (indistinct) in?

Girl: No. He is out of town

Akers: Well who is taking care of his police in his absence?

Girl: Dr. Still.

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8:55am - In 123 WTH

Woman called up and asked if a man named Robbins or Hobbin was on the police force. She was advised that Robbins was no longer on the force.

9:08am In 123 WTH

Party calling called wrong number

9:14am Out 123 WTH

Man: Is Raymond⁶⁷⁵ there?

Woman: No he is not.

Man: Well tell him nobody is up here.

9:55am In 123 WTH

Distressed old lady giving name (Kinzey) (Phonetic) asked for Charles Robbins saying she wanted to see him bad; that she had gotten down to where she couldn't walk and wanted him to come there. She was advised that Robbins was no longer with the City; that he worked for the Revenue Dept. (telephone 589) under Mr. Howell.

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10:00 am

Out 123

WTM

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Man: Say did that boy come up there to see about that car?

Answering Party (man): No I was waiting for him at 7:30 this morning and he didn't show up.

Man: Well I'll declare - I sent him up there

A.P.: Where do you reckon I could get in touch with him?

Man: You have to go easy with that - don't let his body see you talking to him.

He works at the bank in the Real Estate Department, Riley (Phonetic) is his name - slender fellow about 20 years old. Don't let them see you talking to him as "they" are trying to sell him another car.

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10:45 am In 123 WDS

Woman called and asked if
Mr. L. Irwin worked there any more,
and she was advised he did not.

10:50 am In 123 WTM

Officer George Young calling in at 1987

10:55 am Out 123 WTM

Watkins placed a long distance call to Chief of
Police Neel & Neel at Corliss, Ark., asking
him to pick up a negro named Fred Eagle
described as a yellow negro, about 30-36 years old,
5' 11" tall, left leg bowed out when he
walks and his mother lives in Corliss.
Chief Neel said he didn't know this negro
but would look for him.

11:00 am Out 123 WTM

Watkins placed long distance call to
Al Reed, U.S. Marshal's Office in Little Rock
and asked when they would send for

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Jackie Fields the ~~last~~ Hot Springs
Police were holding for them. Reed
explained it would be a day or so since
he had to send in his report to the
Parole Board and they issue a warrant
for Fields' arrest. Until they get the
warrant they can't come for the prisoners.

11:04 am

Out 123

WTM

2815 (Jerry Watkins' residence)

Watkins talked to a woman, likely his wife,
calling her "Punk", inquired how she felt.
She complained very much about being ill
and he told her he would get a girl to come up
there to do the house work.

11:11 am

Out 123

WTM

3232-W (Residence of Officer Ben Rogers)

Attorney C. T. Cotham called Rogers and
made an appointment to see Rogers immediately
at Rogers' residence. Cotham explained
he represented Mr. Piley (phonetic) in the case

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where the Kilgore boy was run over
and he (Cotnam) understood Rogers
made the investigation of this case.

11:45 am

In 123

WOM

long distance call fr Olsen (could not
identify) Officer answering the
phone advised Olsen was then home
sick.

11:55 am

In 123

Officer Fowler calling in at 458

12:01 pm

Out 123

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Trucker called ^{and} made appointment with
Joe Ferguson to come by this PM and get him

12:02 pm

In 123

Officer Murre Young calling in at 201.

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12:38 pm

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Harnett Moore talked to a girl (no name mentioned) carrying on small conversational talk in which she stated she expected him by at lunch time to take her out to Wilbur's Tavern who would try to get a job. He couldn't come to take as he was on duty.

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12.54 p.m. In on 123.

OPS

Is Dutch there, No. His home side

12.55 Am. In on 123.

OPS

Mr. Older at the Alligator town reported a 34 or 35
ford V-8 Coupe bearing 38 Arkansas plates 116-539
ran off south end of Wilson Ave last night. Thinks
you might want to know. -

12.56 p.m. In on 123. -

OPS

George Young reporting at #1987. Spence in Reg. line.

1.03 p.m. In on 123.

OPS

Joe Wheeler reporting at #58

1.05 p.m. In on 123.

Call for "Suede" Watkins. - At Lunch

1.09 p.m. In on 123.

Kelly reporting at 3337.

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1.12 p.m. In on 123.

APS

Officer reporting car parked at crossing with no license plates on it - Was told to put ticket on it for parking & not having plates.

1.37 P.M. In on 123,

APS

Swede Mattinis. Hello

Man - This is Big Harry, Remember me?

Swede yes

Big Harry - Got a little (word not gotten) there for me?

Swede - no.

Big Harry - I'll see you later my friend.

Swede. Where will you be.

Big Harry - Around the Kentucky Club.

1.39 p.m. out on 123 to #1402 (Per Cecil Brock) WA

man - Is the Lieutenant there?

Woman. No, can you leave a number?

man. No, I don't know where I'll be.

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1.43 p.m. out on 123 to Auto License Bureau, Little Rock;

P.M. Give me 1936 License 116-536.

License Bur - 116-539 on a '34 Ford Coupe to Joe Robbins (Robertson) Malvern Ark.

P.M. Thanks.

WFS

1.46 p.m. out on 123 to Sheriff's Office Malvern Ark
operator reported Fire Bug - Call completed at

1.50 p.m.

Garnett Moore - Have you lost a Ford over there
which belonged to Joe Robertson?

Bruce Fisher. No, sir. Don't know a Joe Robertson.

Garnett Moore. Found some bills in the car from
A. B. Cook's.

Fisher - Yes, they are over here.

Bob Moore to phone. Hello Bruce, my boy found a
car, it may be stolen, find out who
Robertson is, and whether anyone stole his car
and call my boy back.

Fisher. Sure will Mr. Moore.

1.54 p.m. In on 123 - Geo. Young reporting at #1987. WFS

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2.30 p.m. In on 123 from Mahemash. 2PS
Bruce Fisher. Is Garnett Moore there?

P. A. no.

Fisher. Well, tell him I investigated and
found that Joe Robertson left yesterday
in his car. He probably is in the
County Jail.

P. A. O.K. I'll tell him.

2.36 p.m. Out on 123 to 3898 (it hung up before completed) 1PS

2.58 p.m. out on 123 to 3781-J 1PS
operator reported that this phone had been disconnected

3.06 p.m. In on 123. 1PS
George Young reporting at 116 (Miller's Cigar Store)

3.32 p.m. In on 123. 1PS
Long distance operator from Memphis inquired whether
P. A. knew of an Evan McDaniel, an architect, not known.
Inler suggested they try #184
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4.10 p.m. In on 123.

NPS

Women asked for Cecil Brock - Not there

4.12 p.m. In on 123,

NPS

Man inquired about city & state Chauffeur's Licenses.

4.46 p.m. Incoming on 123 Long distance from Midvale Ark
Joe Robbins - I had my car stolen last night.

NPS

P.D. we found it. Will pull it in for you.

Robbins. Alright. I'll be over for it, the day after tomorrow.

4.49 p.m. out on 123 to 2815 (Res Capt. Watkins)

NPS

4.50 p.m. out on 123 to 3900 (Third St Garage)

NPS

Watkins asking George to haul in Ford Coupe license plates 114-539, on Whittington St.

4.54 p.m. out on 123 to 3900 (3rd St. Garage)

NPS

Watkins - Will send a man up to help you find that car.

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4.56pm In on 123

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Mrs Charles Pichford reported that a man had
been threatening her maid. (a former woman)

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5:00 pm

In 123

WTM

Man called for an officer to come to
600 Quachita - traffic accident.

5:15 pm

In 123

WTM

Woman called and asked for an
officer to corner of School and Rector
Wget a drunk

This woman called up immediately
afterwards and ~~said~~ said officer need
not come as the drunken man was
going away.

5:26 pm

In 123

WTM

Woman called for Chief Roebury but
he was out.

5:31 pm

In 123

WTM

Officer George Young called in at #8

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5:53 pm

Out 123

~~WJW~~ WJW

2815 (Residence of Jerry Watkins)

Watkins called and talked to some woman, whom he called "Clara", likely his wife, asking her if she felt like driving a car so she could bring him back downtown. He changed his mind and said he would "be up there in a few minutes".

6:00 pm

In 123

WJW

(Watkins answered)

Party calling: This is Mr. Laver. Have you a man there named Mason Webb?

Watkins: Yes, But he was released a few minutes ago.

Mr. Laver: Was he released to Pete Page?

Watkins: Well I'd rather not say - I wasn't here at the time.

Mr. Laver: His name was Mason Webb, wasn't it?

Watkins: We had him as M. Webb.

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6:03 pm

In 128

WTH

Party calling said "wrong number"

6:21 pm

In 128

WTH

Mrs. Brock called and asked if Cecil Brock was there. He was not.

6:22

In 128

WTH

(long distance call from Chicago)

Party calling identified himself as "This is Chicago" and requested to stop Al Konitzer driving a car bearing Illinois license 581-543 supposed to come through Hot Springs from Rolla, Missouri and advise him to wire Greiner at his office in Chicago as there had been a death in his family.

6:31 pm

Out 128

WTH

Man called 212 (Chamber of Commerce) and no one answered.

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6:50 Pm. - out on 123.

Fowler - Called 3700 (newspaper)

Clerk - Hello.

Fowler - Chicago is trying to locate a man named A.Z. Konitzer who is on the way here - a death in his family.

Clerk - Johnnie (Scudder) will be over there about 8:30. Give him the details then and we'll have a notice in morning paper.

7:35 Pm. - out on 123.

Officer - Called 3376 (res. - Dr. E.L. Thompson)
Dr. Thompson - Hello.

Officer - Requested Dr. Thompson to call the City Drug Store for a re-fill of the prescription of the prisoner now being held as a parole violator.

Dr. Thompson - all right, I'll call
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the drug store - thought you had sent that prisoner to prison - he needs hospital attention and we can't give it to him - that prescription I gave you the other day is nothing but dope and doesn't do anything but relieve pain. Officer - yes Doctor we'll try to get him away.

Hos.

7:45 P.m. - In on 123.

Dr. Thompson - advised he had called the drug store (City) and ordered a re-fill of the prescription. Gave directions to give the prisoner two capsules now and two in 3 hours

Hos.

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8:15 Pm. - In on 123.

Party calling hung up -

Had.

8:17 Pm. - In on 123.

Man - Is Monroe young there?

M. young - Hello.

Man - Come up to the Uptown Beer Garden.

Young - What's the trouble?

Man - I'll tell you when you get there.

Young - I'd like to know something now.

Man - If you feel that way, stay there.

Young - All right, what's your name?

Man - None of your damn business.

8:20 Pm. - In on 123.

Had.

Man - Speak to Monroe young -

Watkins - What'd you want with him?

Man - What business is it of yours?

Watkins - Who's calling?

Man - What difference does that
make to you? (hung up)

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